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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Hongkong Stadium

THE Hongkong Football Association wants to know, in view of its agreement with Government, by whose authority the Police opened the Hongkong Stadium to absorb the overflow audience for Dr Billy Graham's rally last week.

That's quite a good question, but so far as the public is concerned, there is another that is better and more important. It is: what is the agreement between the HKFA and Government which gives the Football Association authority to question the right of the Police to open the stadium to the public?

It seems about time the record was put straight about the Hongkong Stadium—who owns it, for whose benefit was it built, and for what purposes it is intended. Indisputably it was designed and constructed by the Public Works Department and financed from public funds. The stadium therefore belongs to Government who holds it in trust for the community. It is foremost a sports stadium, but as was made officially clear when it was opened, it is there to serve other purposes also—presumably including a revivalists' overflow meeting.

At Monday's meeting of the HKFA Council considerable stress was laid on the Association's powers to allocate the stadium for public use. We feel the Colony should be told more about this. In fact it is high time the text of the agreement between Government and the Football Association (which acts as administrators of the stadium) be made public.

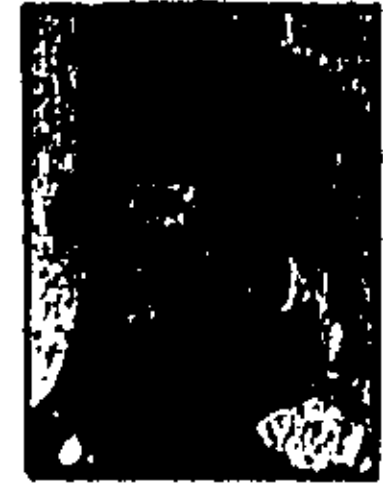
Why all the secrecy? How can the general public be satisfied that there has been a "trespass and a violation of the agreement" unless it is aware of the precise terms of the Football Association's covenant with Government. If an agreement can be regarded as violated because the Police, meeting an emergency, take over the stadium to accommodate members of the public, then it must be a strangely worded treaty.

THE inference is that the Hongkong Football Association has undisputed powers to allocate or withhold allocation of the stadium according to its own inclinations. Perhaps this is not so, but at the moment only the HKFA and Government know. And this is a stadium paid for out of Treasury funds and provided for the benefit of the Colony as a whole!

It is agreed Government acted reasonably in appointing administrators for the stadium and it is not suggested that the Hongkong Football Association is anything but well qualified and trustworthy to fulfil the functions. Nevertheless the terms of its trust have been withheld from the public, who, quite naturally, are puzzled and confused when they read that opening of the stadium at night time by the Police without HKFA authorisation is a violation of an agreement.

Organisations and associations which cater not only for sports and athletics, but other activities, are entitled to know just where they stand when it comes to seeking use of the Hongkong Stadium for public performances.

We suggest Government clarify the whole situation without delay.



Makarios

MAKARIOS SENDS S-O-S CALL

GREEK SPEAKING MP FLYING TO CYPRUS

TALKS AGAIN NEAR DEADLOCK

From DAVID BURK

Nicosia, Feb. 21.

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NOW FEARS OF FLU EPIDEMIC

If Europe's Freeze Ends Too Quickly

Medical experts hoped today that Europe would emerge from its three-week deep freeze gradually—because a sudden thaw might cause a serious outbreak of flu.

So far, according to European medical opinion, the bitter cold has kept flu germs inactive. None of the 700 deaths attributed to the worst winter in modern memory has been caused by influenza. And doctors said that if the temperature rose gradually, people would have a chance to adjust themselves to the change and the danger of the disease would be lessened. So far Italy is the only nation to experience a major outbreak of the flu. More than 350,000 cases were reported in Rome earlier this month but it does not seem to be spreading.

SUN—BUT MORE COLD

The sun finally shone in Italy today, but the weatherman warned that it was only a lull before a renewed onslaught of cold and snow.

Ice floes cut off most of Denmark's population. Giant Scandinavian airliners were taken off the Polar route to the United States and used to ferry Danes across the ice-blocked "great belt" between the island of Sealand and the Danish mainland. Copenhagen and the majority of Denmark's population are on Sealand.

In London, the Air Ministry predicted scattered snow and severe cold, throughout the British Isles.

U.S. AID FOR STRICKEN EUROPE

Washington, Feb. 21.

The United States will offer aid to European countries that have been stricken by a severe cold wave for the last three weeks, the State Department announced today.

The State Department said the American aid would be offered to all European countries, including Eastern European Communist countries. American ambassadors in 12 countries have received instructions to estimate what was necessary for immediate aid and then to study possible U.S. assistance for long-term damages, such as damages to crops.

—France-Press.

Austria was "back to normal" today after digging itself out of a record snowfall yesterday. Paris coal stocks were low and the national gas company said normal pressure might not be maintained if the cold continued. Bordeaux, one of France's largest ports, was tied up by a 25-inch snowfall. Bread and milk deliveries were cancelled and, no public transport moved in the city. Measures were being considered in Paris tonight for blowing a passage through certain of the Seine dams to relieve a block of lectures backing up around the ancient

• Another deadlock looms in the Cyprus talks... this time over an amnesty for convicted Cypriots. General Harding and the Archbishop reach an impasse... and then the leader of the Cyprus Enosis movement decides to seek help. He picks up the telephone... and now read on:

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Then, with the blessing of both Socialist and Tory parties in Britain, he won the esteem of the Governor, Sir John Harding and Archbishop Makarios by acting as an unofficial go-between.

Now the archbishop has called him in again at a crucial moment in the negotiations with the Governor over the island's future.

With his Cabinet-style Church Council, Archbishop Makarios has been discussing the Governor's answer to an amnesty demand for convicted Cypriots and others arrested under the emergency laws.

PARDON FOR KILLERS

The archbishop, with it is believed, fervent pressure behind him, demands a free pardon even for killers.

The British believe if they persuade Makarios to operate in framing a constitution for Cyprus it would be possible to release minor offenders and suspects, but for the killers the law must take its course.

Last night Archbishop Makarios was preparing to tell Sir John Harding: "We insist on an amnesty for all."

Then he thought of a little sideline bargaining, reached for the telephone, and called Mr Noel-Baker.

Now the negotiators are waiting for the MP's plane, London Express Service.

ADENAUER'S 'WORST' SETBACK

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MP To Urge Lennox-Boyd: 'BAN HANGING IN COLONIES'

London, Feb. 21.

The death penalty should be abolished in the colonies under direct Whitehall control. But to those with their own legislative powers, it should be merely suggested.

This is the view of Mr S. T. Swinler, Socialist MP, who is to ask the Colonial Secretary what action he will take since the Commons voted against hanging in Britain.

He says he realises that application of abolition throughout the colonies is administratively difficult owing to their different stages of political advance.

He is also aware in many colonies there would be strong opposition to the policy. But he thinks it should at least be put to them for consideration. Where there is dislike of the idea, he says, the Colonial Secretary need not press the British view—which was argued solely on conditions prevailing in the United Kingdom.

Point to note: Although voted against, hanging has not yet been abolished in Britain. A free vote in the Commons is not mandatory on the government. —London Express Service.

LABOUR CENSURE MOVE DEFEATED

House Approves Govt Economic Plan

London, Feb. 21.

The House of Commons tonight endorsed the Government's latest moves to stop inflation by 325 votes to 259.

By this margin of 66 it rejected a Labour censure motion urging it to declare it had no confidence in the Government or the steps it was taking to overcome the economic crisis. These include a £38 million cut in the Government subsidy on bread and milk and a cut of £70 million in expenditure by the Government and the nationalised industries on new projects.

People buying goods on the instalment plan will have to put down a bigger deposit. The Labour motion took the form of an amendment to the Government resolution asking the House to affirm no confidence in the proposals.

The Government motion was later approved by 325 votes to 259.

Mr Hugh Gaiskell, Leader of the opposition, said he could not understand why the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Harold Macmillan, gave such a wholesale condemnation to import controls.

Mr Gaiskell went on: "After all, one fifth of our imports are still subject to import licensing. Half the dollar imports are also subject to control."

It was "extremely risky" to say Britain would have nothing to do with import controls at all.

The Opposition, he said, believed in a combination of monetary and physical control. The latter enabled the nation to "block up the weak spots in the economy."

Mr Gaiskell said he thought it "deplorable" that Mr Macmillan should cut investment on new industrial equipment at a time when other countries were increasing it.

The nation's future rested on modern equipment, he said. Mr Peter Thorneycroft, President of the Board of Trade, said import restrictions would lead almost automatically and immediately to retaliation.

On industrial investment he said the Government was not stopping it, but trying to moderate it. Investment had gone up 18 per cent last year and looked like rising by 17 per cent next year.

Trade Union Protest Earlier today Trade Union leaders decided to make a strong protest against Mr Macmillan's proposals.

The criticism drawn up by the Trades Union Congress economic committee will be placed before the full TUC General Council, the governing body, tomorrow.

After approval, they will be sent on to Mr Macmillan. —Reuter.

Five Die In Plane Crash

Miami, Feb. 21.

A four-engined Air Force cargo plane crashed and exploded "like a rocket" on Palm Beach Air Force base late today, killing five crew members.

The Air Force announced that all aboard the plane were killed when it crashed from a low altitude at the edge of the Palm Beach Air Force base. The names of the dead were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

First reports from Sergeant Robert Clark of the West Palm Beach Police indicated that eight men might have perished in the roaring flames that engulfed the plane within seconds after it hit.

But the Air Force said only five men were aboard. The Air Force identified the plane as a KC-97 Boeing strato-freighter. It said the plane crashed "while attempting a routine landing." The plane was assigned to the Air Transport Squadron at Palm Beach Base. —United Press.

TENGKU WILL ASK

Well, What About it, Chin Peng?

Singapore, Feb. 21.

Malaya's Chief Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, will broadcast today to Chin Peng, the Communist terrorist leader in the Malayan jungle, Radio Malaya said today in an official statement.

The Chief Minister said on his arrival from London on Sunday that in this broadcast, he would ask Chin Peng to keep his promise to surrender his forces.

At talks between Tengku Abdul Rahman and Chin Peng at Baling, northern Malaya, in December, Chin Peng promised the Malayan Chief Minister he would surrender if the Tengku in constitutional talks in London secured control of Malaya's internal security and defence. Tengku Abdul Rahman secured these powers in London. —Reuter.

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TASS MAN REFUSES TO REVEAL SECRETS

Washington, Feb. 21.

The highest-ranking American employee of the Russian news agency Tass refused to tell Senate investigators today whether he associated with Soviet spies.

Harry Freeman, assistant manager of the New York office, first told the Senate Internal Security sub-Committee he did not associate in his job with people he knew to be active in Soviet espionage.

Then he "revoked" his answer and invoked the Fifth Amendment against possible self-incrimination.

Two other American employees of Tass' New York office—Hays Jones and Mrs Sasha Small Lurie—swore they had not been Communists since working for Tass. But they refused to say whether they had been Party members previously.

MOSCOW ORDER

Freeman, a small, bald, smiling man, said he had not been a Communist since 1941. He said that was the date of an office directive forbidding Tass employees to take part in any political activity.

Freeman refused to say whether he was a Communist prior to 1941. He said he had worked for Tass since 1929 and previously worked for the New York Daily Worker.

Freeman testified that Tass had about 23 employees in the United States in New York and Washington. He said the acting manager, was Leonid Velichansky, a Soviet citizen.

The title of manager was held by Ivan Beglov, who has been back in Russia since May 1955. He listed the employees, about ten of whom were Russian.—United Press.

All Commoners

London, Feb. 21.

A Brigadier and a Lieutenant Colonel got up in the House of Commons at the same time to speak today, and the Colonel shouted "Sit down" to his higher ranking colleague.

Labour MP W. R. Williams immediately asked the Speaker if it was proper for Lt-Col. Walter Bromley-Davenport to give such orders to Brig. O. L. Prior-Palmer.

"All men are equal here," Speaker W. S. Morrison ruled. Brigadier Prior-Palmer, sat down, and Lt-Col Bromley-Davenport went on with his speech.—United Press.

Twins Charged

New York, Feb. 21.

An Ohio county grand jury in Wheeling, West Virginia today indicted 14-year-old twin brothers, Tommy and Joseph Williams, on murder charges in the bludgeoning slaying of a nine-year-old cub. —United Press.

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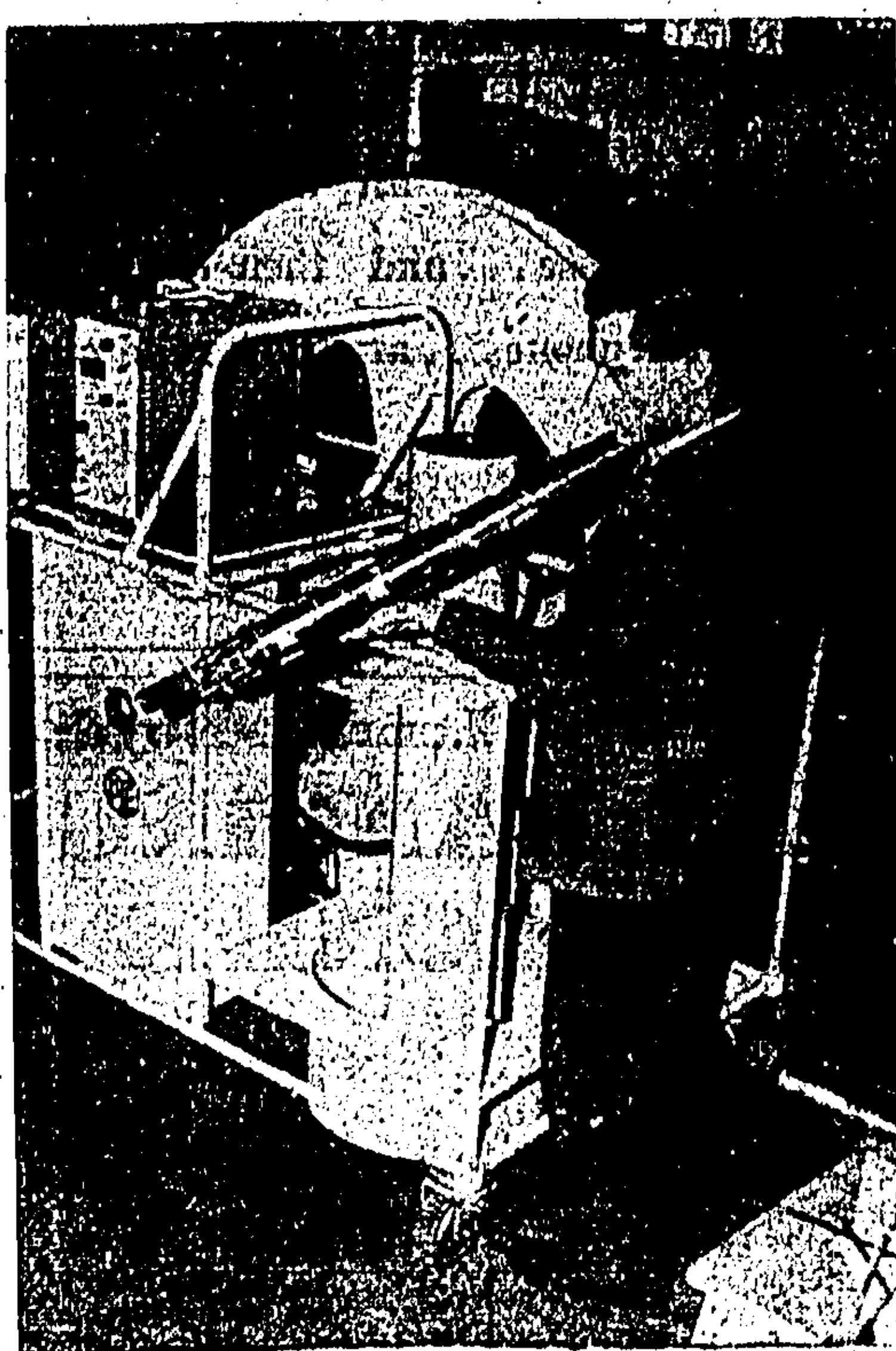
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Development engineer Mr W. L. Cruickshank is pictured with a new British television camera capable of being used inside an atomic reactor. The camera is based on normal industrial television equipment, but owing to the nature of its proposed work, special materials had to be used in its manufacture. For ease of manipulation the camera carries its own course of lighting, consisting of four small bulbs grouped round the camera lens. A system of mirrors enables viewing from all angles. — Express Photo.

Germany Discusses Creeping Inflation

London, Feb. 21.

Dr Ludwig Erhard, West Germany's Economics Minister, today discussed with top British ministers the creeping inflation in West European economies, diplomatic sources said.

Dr Erhard, in a full day of official talks, also conferred with Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, on the Western powers' claim that the Bonn government should continue to pay towards the costs of maintaining their troops in the Federal Republic, the sources said.

No formal decisions are likely to be taken on the wide range of economic problems being generally discussed by Dr Erhard during his six-day visit, which is being made at the British government's invitation.

Wages And Prices

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Family Of Sevens

Bonn, Feb. 21.

An Irishman serving at Celle is believed to be head of the biggest family attached to the North Atlantic Treaty forces in West Germany.

Warrant Officer Alfred Bunting, clerk of Works at Celle Royal Air Force station, is the seventh son of a seventh son and has seven sons himself — and five daughters too. The family lives in two married quarters. The hometown is Lurgan, in Northern Ireland. — China Mail Special.

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New Delhi, Feb. 21.

India has suggested an informal meeting between the British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, and the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr V. M. Molotov, the two chairmen of the 1954 Geneva conference, to explore possibilities of breaking the current Indo-China deadlock, informed sources said today.

The Indian foreign affairs expert, Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, is currently in London for discussions with his British colleague, Mr Selwyn Lloyd. Sources said he would hand Mr Lloyd India's reply to Chinese Premier Chou En-lai's proposal for a fresh Geneva-type conference on Indo-China.

For Comment

A copy of India's reply also was being sent to Moscow.

It was recalled that Premier Chou's proposal, addressed to the two co-chairmen, was circulated for comment among the other Geneva powers and the three supervisory States (Canada, India and Poland).

Of the three supervisors, Poland alone replied, endorsing Premier Chou's proposal. The other two have not yet sent their replies.

The sources said India was not averse to the idea of a "Geneva" conference but she was aware of the practical difficulties of convening such a meeting.

Besides, she thinks the initiative should come from the two co-chairmen, not from the members of the Supervisory Commission.

No Such Threat

The sources denied reports that India had threatened to withdraw from the Commission if the Geneva powers did not take steps to break the deadlock over Vietnam elections, scheduled for July.

No such threat ever was conveyed or contemplated, they said. — United Press.

Theron Expected Montevideo At Weekend

Montevideo, Feb. 21.

The sealer Theron, homeward bound after establishing a base for next year's Commonwealth expedition, is expected to reach here this weekend — several days behind schedule.

The Theron, carrying the leaders of the British and New Zealand "ends" of the expedition, Dr Vivian Fuchs and Sir Edmund Hillary, was originally expected tomorrow. She is now due between Friday and Monday.

(Sir Edmund Hillary, who will lead a New Zealand expedition overland from the Ross Sea to link up near the South Pole with Dr Fuchs's team trekking from Vahsel Bay on the Weddell Sea, said in a radio message yesterday the Theron expected to reach London on March 23). — China Mail Special.

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'Situation In Algeria Is Serious'

FRENCH MINISTER URGES CLOSER CO-OPERATION

Algiers, Feb. 21.

The French Resident Minister in Algiers, M. Robert Lacoste, declared here today that "the situation of Algeria on the whole is serious."

Speaking at the opening of the budget session of the Algerian Assembly, M. Lacoste said that it would not be in the interests of France to deny the seriousness of the Algerian situation.

"It is worthwhile even to point it out to that everyone may measure the scope of his duties," M. Lacoste added.

M. Lacoste said that the French Government and Parliament were nearly unanimous in believing that decisions must be made and carried out urgently in Algeria. "My mission, therefore, is to act and to act quickly," M. Lacoste declared.

Admit More Moslems

M. Lacoste said that he respected public officials, even though they had been "sometimes so unjustly discredited." He added that he had decided to judge officials according to their acts "and not according to intentions attributed to them more or less arbitrarily."

M. Lacoste urged that more Moslem citizens be admitted into the ranks of the country's administration.

"The action taken to open public office to our Moslem co-citizens must be continued and accentuated, in departing—if necessary—from the usual rules of recruiting officials," M. Lacoste said.

M. Lacoste pointed out that the new budget for Algeria would improve the condition of the Algerian farmer within a short time.

Gift For Budget

He nevertheless insisted upon the industrialisation of Algeria as the "decisive factor in seeking to obtain full employment."

M. Lacoste said that for the first time in 1956, Metropolitan France would give Algeria a sum of about 15 milliard francs (about 42,750,000 dollars) for an extraordinary budget.

He added that taxes would be increased by 4 milliard francs (about 10,620,000 dollars) "in order to fight against inflationist pressure which could develop from the massive increase of public investments financed from the exterior."

M. Lacoste said that "this supplementary taxation has been set up in such a way that it will spare the mass of the Moslem population, so that it will not harm modest incomes, so that for the most part it will only strike at accumulated profit, and finally so that the cost of living will not be touched."

He said that the ordinary budget for Algeria would be increased with about 18 milliard francs (about 51,436,000 dollars), an increase of 33 milliards (about 94,381,000 dollars) over the present contribution.

"Thus our budget will not bear the consequences of new burdens caused by the increase of expenditure for security and sovereignty," M. Lacoste declared.

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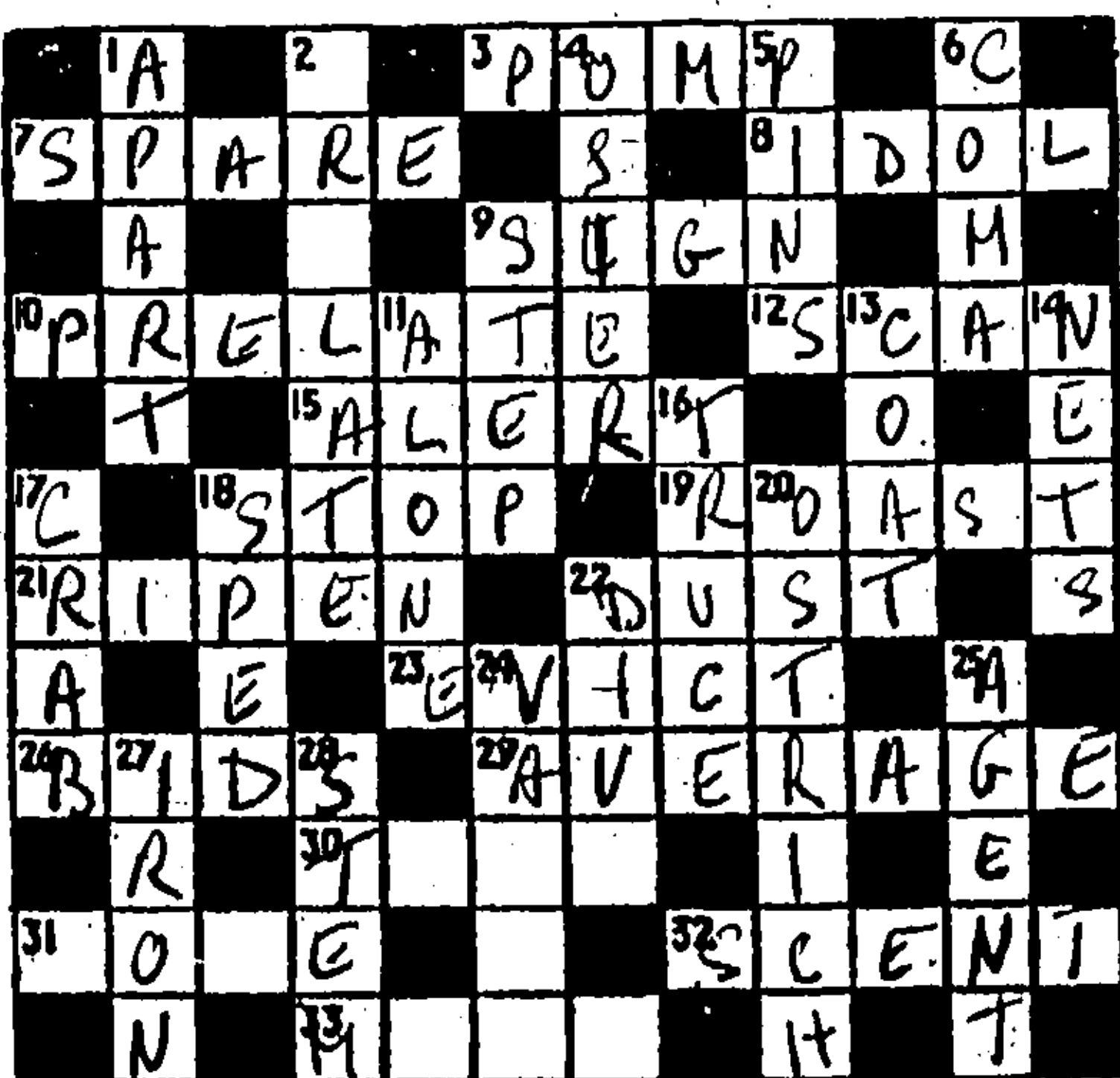
He said that the total contribution of Metropolitan France to Algeria for 1956 would amount to more than 80 milliard francs (about 228,500,000 dollars), an increase of 33 milliards (about 94,381,000 dollars) over the present contribution.

M. Lacoste declared, "the future will tell that our blind faith in a better destiny for Algeria is a genuine realism."

Realism requires "those who suffer from a precarious material situation, who want to regain their dignity, who, renouncing the spirit of fatalism, want to assume the responsibility for their destiny, to seek paths to freedom only through France," M. Lacoste declared.

He concluded by saying that the economic and social programme he had just laid out was also a political programme, because it is the indispensable means for giving economic responsibilities, for opening modern life to those whose miserable condition makes them today secondary citizens, whatever their theoretical rights."—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 3 Splendour (4).
 - 7 Lean (3).
 - 9 Object of worship (4).
 - 10 Symbol (4).
 - 12 Archbishop (7).
 - 13 Scrutiny (4).
 - 15 Vigilant (5).
 - 18 Arrest (5).
 - 19 Cook (3).
 - 21 Mature (5).
 - 22 Fine powder (4).
 - 23 Throw out (5).
 - 26 Offers a price (4).
 - 29 Mean (7).
 - 30 Roman garment (4).
 - 31 Donkey (colloq) (4).
 - 32 Aroma (5).
 - 33 Filling (4).
- DOWN**
- 1 Separate (5).
 - 2 Reduce to ashes (7).
 - 4 Willow (5).
 - 5 Fasteners (4).
 - 6 Stupor (4).
 - 8 Pace (4).
 - 11 Solitary (5).
 - 13 Garment (4).
 - 14 Meshed fabrics (4).
 - 16 Artifice (5).
 - 17 Shellfish (4).
 - 18 Hastened (4).
 - 20 Bird (7).
 - 22 Prima-donna (4).
 - 24 Indefinite (5).
 - 25 Representative (5).
 - 27 Metal (4).
 - 28 Stalk (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Propel, 7 Live, 9 Baton, 10 Grime, 11 Earl, 13 Protesting, 15 Term, 16 Love, 19 Malvolent, 22 Abot, 24 Rains, 25 Actor, 26 Earn, 27 Treble, Down: 2 Halo, 3 Fence, 4 Legato, 5 Oriental, 6 Over, 8 Image, 12 Limit, 13 Police, 14 Treating, 17 Smear, 18 Desert, 20 Ooze, 21 Exalt, 23 Drag.

Rebels Step Up Activity

Constantine, Feb. 21. REBEL activity in the Constantine region has sharply increased in the last 48 hours, it was reported here today.

Outlaw bands have blocked roads, cut aqueducts and telephone lines. On Sunday alone, altogether 803 telephone poles were cut down in the region by the rebels. Two rebels were killed on Monday night in El Milia after throwing several hand grenades and bottles of flaming petrol on soldiers in the town's streets.

A military convoy approaching the town was ambushed. Two soldiers were wounded. Outlaws on the same night also set fire to a farm near El Arrouch and kidnapped 10 Moslem labourers.

A French policeman was killed by rebels at Bida, while a police station at Ain Yaout was unsuccessfully attacked by an outlaw band.—France-Press.

Moroccan Talks Open Today

Paris, Feb. 21.

The Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohammed ben Youssef, today held a final conference with members of the Moroccan delegation, who will tomorrow begin negotiations with France on the independence of Morocco.

Informed sources said that the French Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pincau, in his speech at the opening session, would make a favourable reply to the points raised by the Sultan in a speech last Wednesday.

At a reception given by the President, M. René Coty, on Wednesday, the Sultan said the talks would have two aims: to make Moroccan independence a tangible reality and to define the links of inter-dependence governing relations between Morocco and France.

At the same time, the Sultan raised the question of the territorial unity of Morocco. He said: "There is no real or acceptable liberty without the unity and integrity of the national territory."—France-Press.

ALLEGED SLAVERY PRACTICES

United Nations, Feb. 21.

The United Nations Trusteeship Council today discussed alleged slavery practices in the French Cameroons.

The United Nations delegate to the Council, Mr. Benjamin Greig, questioned the French delegate, M. Robert Bagues, on an article which appeared in the New York press today.

The article was based on a report mentioned last week in the French Union Assembly (overseas parliament) from the French Embassy at Jeddah.

The report stated that Saudi Arabian merchants had sent agents to the Sudan, and the Niger and Volta river regions, to organise nefarious pilgrimages to Mecca. The "pilgrims" were then sold on their arrival in Saudi Arabia.

The French delegate, who said the trade was very small, promised to put all the information at his disposal before the Council.—France-Press.

Peru Rebels Call For Support

Bogota, Feb. 21.

Peruvian rebel broadcasts from Iquitos, Northern Peru, were heard here today after a three-day silence.

They called on the other Peruvian provinces to join Loreto Province, where General Marcelino Morúa started a revolt against President Manuel Odría's government last Thursday.

Speakers from General Morúa's rebel "jungle division" urged the people of Iquitos to disregard the government threat of bombing the region.—France-Press.

Women Protest March In Cyprus Capital



Cypriot women are pictured during a recent protest march through the streets of the Cyprus capital of Nicosia. Placards read: "Freedom to the Political Prisoners," "Down with the New Laws," "Release All Prisoners," "Stop Building New Concentration Camps," "Do Not Part Us from Our Husbands."—Express Photo.

NATO Commander Thinks European Atom Pool Should Make Weapons

Paris, Feb. 21.

French Marshal Alphonse Juin, Commander-in-Chief of the Central European Forces of NATO, today indicated that, in his opinion, the projected European atomic pool "Euratom" should be allowed to make atomic weapons.

Speaking at a ceremony in Paris attended by US Ambassador Douglas Dillon, Marshal Juin said: "We have nothing against Euratom but it is difficult to accept that it should be barred from (military) atomic manufacture."

He said that he was against making atomic weapons but that the Russians, for their part, are manufacturing atomic devices.

Marshal Juin made his speech during a ceremony, organised by the French school for American studies, to mark the 80th birthday of General Maxime Weygand, who commanded French troops in 1940.

Infiltration Virus

The Marshal, a former French Resident-General in Morocco, appealed for French presence in North Africa. "We don't want a shrunken Europe, we want it to extend as far as Africa."

Marshal Juin branded terrorism in North Africa as an "infiltration virus."

The Marshal criticised government instability in France, which, he said, was fatal for a country. "I am thinking of North Africa," he remarked. "We must not let our own country 'which is tearing itself apart'."—France-Press.

Production Race

UKRAINE, VERSUS RUSSIA

Paris, Feb. 21.

Mikhail Yasnov, President of the Council of Ministers of the Russian Republic, today accepted the challenge of the Ukraine Republic to engage in a "production race," Moscow radio reported.

Mr Yasnov, speaking at the Soviet Communist Party Congress in Moscow, invited the advantages contained in the proposal for "socialist competition," which was made at the Congress last week by the President of the Council of Ministers of the Ukraine.

New Aspect

Mr Yasnov, who is ex-mayor of Moscow, said Soviet output would benefit from this new aspect of socialist competition, which hitherto had been limited to industrial and farm enterprises.

West Germany delegate, Herr Max Reimann, conveyed to the Congress the "warm greetings of West German workers," the broadcast said. The Congress also heard a message sent by the American Communist Party, the broadcast said.—France-Press.

Coloured People Warned Against Reds

New York, Feb. 21.

The National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People today issued a warning against Communist efforts to infiltrate a nation-wide civil rights assembly to be held in Washington from March 4-6.

Mr Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP, urged the association's 1,300 branches and youth councils to use care in selecting delegates to the assembly.

Unless this were done, he said, there was a possibility that left-wingers might capture the assembly and then "the whole civil rights movement will receive a black eye and we will get very little attention, if any, by Congress."

Last week the Communist Daily Worker urged support for the assembly, which has been called by various organisations to seek legislation in the current session of Congress against what sponsors call a "breakdown in law and order in some parts of the South."—Reuter.

Cannes, Feb. 21. The Aga Khan, who was flown here from Egypt in a stretcher last week, was well enough today to sit up and read the newspapers.

His doctors said the 78-year-old Moslem religious leader's fever has gone. Further evidence of the patient's improvement was the departure yesterday of his son, Ali, for the annual tour of the Middle East that the Aga used to take.—United Press.

American CAB Rejects Polar Route

Washington, Feb. 21.

The American Civil Aeronautical Bureau today rejected a proposal by the International Air Transport Association to establish a polar air service between Europe and Japan.

The projected service would have enabled a \$400 reduction to be made in the present price of an air ticket from Europe to Japan via the United States.

At the same time, the American body reversed a previous decision and approved a 10 per cent increase in first class fares on trans-Atlantic and trans-Pacific airlines. The increased price will come into force on April 1. It was recommended at the last conference of the IATA in Miami last September.

The American Civil Aeronautics Bureau gave its approval after most of the countries belonging to the IATA had approved the price increase.

The American body only gave temporary approval until September 30, and indicated that it would probably not renew its approval.

It called upon airlines concerned to take proposals for new price scales to come into effect after September 30.—France-Press.

PAKISTAN ADOPTS A NAME

Karachi, Feb. 21.

The Pakistan Constituent Assembly today adopted a constitutional clause aimed at giving Pakistan the official title of "Islamic Republic."

Voting was 47 to 22. The bill overrode joint opposition from Hindu members of the Assembly and from the opposition "Awami League."

The hostile vote of the Hindus marked the end of the present government coalition which linked the Moslem League, the United Bengal front and Hindu parties from Bengal.—France-Press.

Students Must Return Home For 2 Years

Washington, Feb. 21.

All foreign students studying in the United States will be required to live two years in their own country before returning to the United States after their studies are finished, if a bill today approved by the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee becomes law.

The bill has been introduced to strengthen the educational exchange system, whereby foreign students can study for two years in an American university, and at the same time learn more about the American way of life.—France-Press.

Ethiopia May Upset Aswan Dam Plans

Washington, Feb. 21.

The government of Ethiopia served notice on Egypt today that it has plans of its own for hydroelectric and irrigation projects for the Nile River which might affect Egypt's much-publicised planning for the Aswan Dam.

The Blue Nile, one of the branches of the famed river is in Ethiopia, where it is fed by a number of major streams draining that country.

The Ethiopian government, in a statement released by its Embassy in Washington, announced that such planning by Ethiopia was underway.

An Embassy spokesman, clarifying the announcement for the United Press, said his country did not know whether its project would affect Egypt's planning, but that it should give all concerned adequate notice.

Comes From Ethiopia

He said his government had not yet received enough information from "either Egypt or the US" to form an opinion on the effect its own planning would have on that of Egypt.

The Embassy statement pointed out that a large amount of the waters of the Nile comes from Ethiopia, where the extent and complexity of the watershed had made necessary long surveys.

"As distinguished from other areas... of the Nile, the large volume and number of water courses and the variety of engineering projects involved in Ethiopia have required a lengthy programme of analysis and co-ordination by the Imperial Ethiopian government," the statement said.

"The greatly accelerated pace at which these technical studies have been proceeding during the past 12 months testifies to the progress achieved in the technical and administrative fields."

Not Clear

The statement also said that "in the allocation of bids... financing terms and conditions will be taken into consideration."

The Embassy spokesman said he did not think his government would seek US grant aid for the project, but added that it was not clear yet what loans might be sought.—United Press.

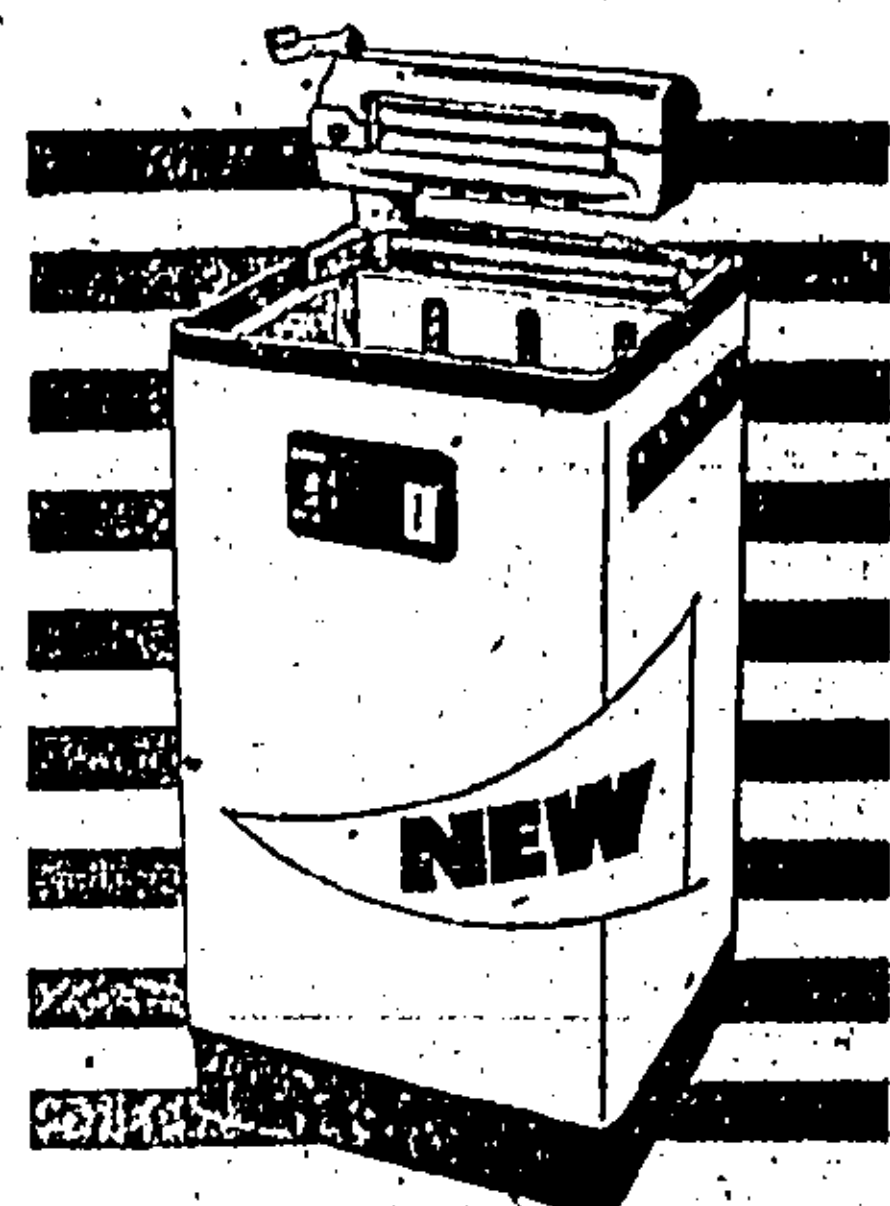
Twenty Miles By Swordfish

Wellington, Feb. 21.

The first broadbill—the true swordfish—to be caught in New Zealand's famous game-fishing waters near Mayor Island since 1937 was landed by Mr S. B. Priest after it had towed his launch more than 20 miles. The fish was 12 feet six inches long and weighed 500 pounds.—China Mail Special.

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POST-INFLUENZA depression must be a symptom known to almost everybody except a man aged (I think) 60 who lives (I think) in Dulwich, and who has never even had a cold in the nose since he first went to his office (I think) 45 years ago.

I am sorry about the "I think." But after nursing my life partner, the Plucky Little Woman, through influenza I caught it myself and lost the cutting about his horrible man. Why horrible? I don't know.

All I know is that I dislike him intensely. In fact, I would hate the sound of his name if I could remember it. As the P.L.W. also hates him I can only put our unnatural repugnance for a complete stranger down either to a senseless fury that anybody could live in England for 45 years without catching a cold, or to the depression which has got both of us in its grip as we crouch in our armchairs glaring at the newspapers.

Vicar bites wife

I TRY to cheer up the P.L.W. by reading bits of the news to her.

I tell her about the vicar who was stung by a divorcee to have bitten his wife on the way home from their honeymoon.

I point out that although I am not a particularly religious man and certainly not as religious as a vicar should be, I have never bitten her either on our honeymoon or after. And doesn't she consider herself lucky?

The P.L.W. replies that (a) we never had a honeymoon because we were both too busy working as reporters; that (b) even if I could have found time to bite her she would have come right back at me and bitten my ears off; and that (c) as one pain is supposed to kill another, she wouldn't mind being bitten by a tiger if it would cure her headache.

She adds that as clergymen never get enough to eat, the vicar was probably not vicious but just hungry.

Stag not at bay

LATER on I read about the story of the stag that was hunted into an infant's playground in Suffolk.

As the P.L.W. is full of pity for stags and all hunted animals, and is so full of hunting for all hunting people that she gives three rousing cheers whenever they fall off their horses, she begs me not to read any more as she can't stand it in her weak condition.

But I tell her this is the story of a happy stag. It is never killed. It is chased only three times in a season and always taken home after the hunt.

It will live to a grand old age providing sport and old-stag-hunting practice for those who have nothing better to do.

The P.L.W. says by the same argument you might as well let a prisoner out of Dartmoor three times a year to give the warden practice in old stag hunting. As this would hardly make an old stag happy she can't see why it should make an old stag happy.

I then read her the remarks of Colonel Brian Gooch, joint master of the hunt, who told a reporter:

"I am a soft-hearted man who would have no part in anything involving cruelty to animals. Our stags are well fed, beautifully housed, and at times they will eat out of your hand."

The P.L.W. says if the old stag is so happy in its home why does it run away from it? We both stifle a sob when we think of the old stag wrenched from its shelter to make a morose holiday.

Wrong address

THE P.L.W. is nearly in tears when I tell her about 90-year-old Dr James Clarke, of Walthamstow, who says he has to go on working because he needs the money.

She says she adores old doctors. They always seem to know more than the young ones, always prescribe lovely medicines with raspberry flavouring, and give you tonics that are now supposed to be out of date.

She thinks it is a wicked shame that a doctor who has done so much for others should have to work at 90, and wishes Dr Clarke would visit her. She would give him a double Scotch, and they could have a cosy chat about her depression.

I tell her he would probably never find our house even if we lived at Walthamstow because his memory is failing.

According to one of the papers he called for two months, sometimes twice a day, on a man who was not ill and was not even his patient.

Quoting again, I tell her a reporter found him looking in a street for a house numbered "99 1/2" which didn't exist.

The P.L.W. says: "He had probably mixed up somebody's temperature with the number of his house. But that's nothing to laugh at."

I say, "I am not laughing. I am quoting."

The P.L.W. says, "Everybody has to grow old some time. And you're not looking so hot yourself."

When were you born?

THEN I read a letter written to a newspaper by a man who has studied astrology and believes we are at our brightest at the hour of our birth.

He points out that Sir Winston Churchill, who was born in the late evening, is always at his best at that time (his political opponents in the House of Commons must have noticed this) and then states the case of a man and wife who are never happy together because the man was born at tea-time and the wife early in the morning.

The P.L.W. thinks that such incompatibility should provide grounds for divorce.

She draws a distressing word picture of a tired, sleepy man being awakened at 6 a.m. by a vivacious wife bouncing about the bed and making bright remarks in the chilly darkness.

After this we consider the case of a policeman born, say, at lunch-time who has to go on night duty when he's at his worst. Would this account for some of the unsolved crimes? Or a comedian, born at tea-time when he feels extremely funny, going on the air at 8.30 p.m. Would this account for some of the BBC programmes?

The P.L.W. says that as I never seem very bright except in the bar of a low tavern she would like to know at what hour in the 24 I was born.

I say I don't know, but think it must have been opening time, either 11 a.m. or 6 p.m.

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DON IDDON continues the story of the men of motors and millions HENRY THE FIRST TRIES TO STOP A WAR



THE LOVES OF HIS LIFE

Mr. and Mrs. Ford in the historic 1895 car, Henry the First's dearest toy, as witness this flowery effusion (right).

Henry the First of Love, you have loved. And the shining of your star is your glory. I am a little butterfly.

HENRY FORD didn't like bankers or business men or accountants. Once he went into one office and saw scores of men sitting before charts and graphs.

He said to an aide: "What does this crowd do?" He was told: "That's the statistical department, Mr. Ford."

A few minutes later Ford called in his engineers and said: "You say you want space. You haven't got enough room. Well, you can have the entire statistical department. Get those accountants out of there."

It was perhaps Ford's indifference, even contempt, for figures and orderly bookkeeping that later landed the company into such a mess, and it was Henry Ford the Second, a more meticulous man with a higher regard for figures, who got the Ford Company out of the morass.

BUT if Henry Ford the First didn't like the complexities of business he was fascinated by the complexities of world politics. Unfortunately, he considered them simple. It was in August 1915 that Henry Ford discovered World War I. He always claimed to be a pacifist, and he hated bloodshed, although blood sometimes flowed outside the gates of his giant factories. A young reporter named Theodore Delavigne, of the Detroit Free Press, went to see Ford when it was a quiet newspaper day and the editor was looking for a "Sunday special."

Ford was impressed by Delavigne because the reporter revealed a knowledge of watches. The two men, the multi-millionaire and the 30-dollar-a-week reporter, went for a walk and began to talk about the war in Europe.

For suddenly said: "I'd give all my money and my life to stop it." The reporter said: "That's a lot of dough. How about my quoting you?" Ford told the journalist to go ahead, write what he wanted, and put it under Ford's name.

It was one of the peculiarities of Ford that he frequently allowed others to make statements in his name, and Harry Bennett, his man-of-all-work, was even allowed to sign "Henry Ford" in a facsimile of the millionaire's signature.

Decorated

DELAVIGNE went back to his typewriter and churned out five columns decorated with such phrases as: "Wasteful war," "Suicidal militarism," "Fake glory," "Chains of greed," "Clock of murder," "Vampire-like traders."

Ford was directly quoted as saying: "War is murder, desecrating, destructive, cruel, heartless, and unjustified. Nothing would give me more satisfaction than to bring to an end the 6,000 years of this unjustified, hateful, ruthless waste, and murder."

One cannot help agreeing with these sentiments, but at that time anti-German feeling in the United States was high, and would bring an atmosphere of romance plus chic even to the Klondike By-pass, which Hollywood, for all its palm trees and splendid houses, rather resembles in the glare of noon.

Thousands of letters descended upon Ford as a result.

Ford was overwhelmed, and rang up Delavigne. "You got me into this. You'd better come and get me out of it." The reporter joined Ford's staff as a personal assistant.

As a result of Ford's peace offensive a European pacifist, Rosika Schwimmer, called on Ford, and after one short interview managed to sell him the idea of Ford himself trying to stop the war personally. The plan of chartering a peace ship and sailing for Europe came a few days later.

Ford told reporters: "I intend to get the boys out of the trenches by Christmas."

This slogan was to girdle the globe. The people and the newspapers greeted Ford's ambitious plan with scepticism, then ridicule. The politicians would have little to do with it, and President Wilson refused to commit himself.

Craic people and clowns competed to be among the passengers on the peace ship. A Canadian-American liner called Oscar the Second was chartered and invitations were sent out to the famous and the influential, but almost all the famous and influential turned the invitations down.

THERE was trouble and derision from the start. A cablegram was sent under Ford's name to the Vatican addressed not to Benedict XV, but to Benedict VII, a Pope who had been dead more than 900 years.

On the eve of the sailing some of his executives feared that Ford had been out of the project, but he was adamant. He said simply over and over again: "It's right to stop war, isn't it? That's what I intend to do."

The ship lifted anchor to the jangels of bands, roses were flung on to the deck from the water, people fell into the water, several women had hysterics, and the Press had one of the giddiest and gaudiest stories for months.

During the crossing there were rows, fist-fights, and even a reported minor mutiny. Mr. Ford was drenched by a wave and had to retire to his stateroom with a bad cold. One English reporter called Ford had been locked in his cabin. By the time the Oscar the Second had docked at Oslo and after a turbulent meeting with the Press, Ford, who by then was a sick man, was beginning to wonder if his peace dove would ever fly.

A little while later he left for home disillusioned but still clinging to his ideals. He covered up the failure of the

peace ship with attempted cynicism years later. "If we had tried to break in cold into the European market after the war would have cost us 10,000,000 dollars. The peace ship cost a twentieth of that and made Ford a household word all over the Continent."

I don't think this was the real Ford speaking. He feared the ridicule of the hard business man. It was shortly after this famous fiasco that Harry Bennett came into Ford's life and perhaps changed the course of the Ford empire.

Of all the characters in the fabulous Ford story Bennett was the strangest. He wielded more influence over Ford than any person—even Mrs. Ford.

Taken in tow

WITHIN a few years of joining Ford he was second in power and influence only to King Henry. Many have said his influence was bad. He and the son Edsel, who was over- shadowed by his father all his life, didn't get along. When Henry the Second was old enough to take an interest in the company he was a useful and useful of Bennett, and in the end it was Henry the Second who got rid of this extraordinary ruffian.

Once when Bennett went too far, Ford said: "Harry, never try to outguess me." Ford did not pay Bennett a large salary, but he endowed him with estates and cars and other gifts.

Bennett was the strike-broker, the trouble-shooter. He was probably the most disliked man in the Ford plant during his quarter-century or more there. No one, not even the family, could influence Henry Ford against Bennett.

Bennett has written his own defence of his career entitled "We Never Called Him Henry," and I believe some of it has the ring of truth.

Brisbane was impressed with the punching power and courage of the sailor and intervened. He took him in tow and said: "How would you like to meet Henry Ford?"

Then he told Ford about Bennett, and the industrialist said: "I can use a young man like that. So Bennett joined the Ford firm and soon became a figure at the Rouge plant."

Bennett has been accused of being responsible for the decline and near fall of the Ford empire. But as far as Henry the First was concerned, Bennett could do little wrong.

Once when two newspapermen were accompanying Ford and Bennett on a motor trip Ford was asked: "Among all the statesmen or famous people you

have met, Mr. Ford, who's the greatest man?"

Henry Ford pointed a finger at Bennett and said: "Harry there."

This seems incredible, because Bennett was a toughie, an explosive-tempered braver and beater-up, whose chief claim to power in the Ford Company seemed to be his ability to run the "Service Department," which were Ford's special police.

Bennett worked for Ford for almost 30 years. They toured the plant together sometimes at three in the morning. They were almost inseparable.

The executives fumed, and sometimes protested. If they protested too much they were fired. Bennett saw to that.

Ford himself always disliked firing people. He used to get others to do the job for him. The two men—the last billion- aire (although the millions were beginning to shrink) and the ex-sailor—the gigantic

organization which now included rubber plantations, airlines, steamship lines, and all the elaborate paraphernalia of industry, and they ran it together like wins.

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Accusations

BENNETT says: "During the 30 years I worked for Henry Ford I became his most intimate companion. I was closer to him even than his only son. I have been called a thug, a gangster, a pro-Nazi, an anti-Semite. It's been said that I was fired from my job. All these accusations are just plain lies."

Bennett used to strut the Ford factories giving orders, laying down the law: "Mr. Ford told me to tell you. It's all been decided by Mr. Ford and myself." Mr. Ford wants you to do this.

Some of Bennett's reminiscences are fascinating. He says: "As far as loyalty is concerned Mr. Ford did not seem to care too much. I saw men disloyal to Ford, and yet if they were useful to him, he'd keep them on. He never let emotion interfere with business."

"The one thing in the world that Mr. Ford could not stand was ridicule. He could not stand any kind of slur on his intelligence. . . . Edsel and I were never on completely friendly terms (that's an understatement). Mr. Ford would say to me: 'Now, Harry, you think you're getting along all right with Edsel, but he's no friend of yours.'"

It was during the Bennett era that Henry Ford bought the Dearborn Independent and began his violent attacks on Jews. It was during the Bennett period that the armed police became known as goons and beat up the workers. It was during the Bennett period that sales dropped and dropped and people began to whisper: "Ford is finished."

It was during the Bennett period that the fabulous Ford appeared in danger of extinction. Henry Ford the First, particularly in his later years, seemed unable to do anything about Bennett and the ruin that was setting in. It was his grandson, Henry Ford the Second, who had to act. But that's another part of this great story.

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WHO SLIPPED THE TOMAHAWK IN GRACE KELLY'S BED?

By ALEC GUINNESS

who has just returned from Hollywood after co-starring with Grace Kelly in a film. He brings back with him a glimpse of the other Miss Kelly—the "iceberg" with a sense of humour—the fiendish practical joker.

KELLY the iceberg. Just another pasteurised American blonde. Those were the sort of remarks friends made last September when I told them I was off to Hollywood to make a film with Grace Kelly.

How wrong they all were on all accounts. But in spite of having admired Grace on the screen, it was with considerable misgivings that I took the Polar flight to Los Angeles, thinking to myself that I might as well get used to the ice on the way.

When I stepped off the airplane into brilliant Californian sunshine (one of their smogless days) she was there to meet me. She looked as beautiful off screen as on, but my first reaction was that either she was too tall or I was too short for our respective roles of Princess and the Prince in *The Swan*, the film we were to make together.

She proved to be as shy as I am, and for a day or two we remained Miss Kelly and Mr Guinness to each other—a pleasant change, I thought, from the automatic exchange of

Christian names between strangers in the film world. A few days after my arrival she invited me to a small party at the house she rents overlooking Los Angeles. At night the city appears to be the Milky Way spread on the ground; extremely romantic and exactly the right background for Grace, who would bring an atmosphere of romance plus chic even to the Klondike By-pass, which Hollywood, for all its palm trees and splendid houses, rather resembles in the glare of noon.

As hostess at her own party, Grace was very different from the reserved woman with the slightly short-sighted air who met me at the airport. Here, among her friends, she was just a girl in black velvet trousers, squatting on the floor and collapsing helplessly with

giggles over some story of David Milver's or Michael Wilding's, or sitting open-mouthed at Humphrey Bogart's brilliant parody of a fellow actor.

When not in a state of exhaustion from laughing (she barely completely double when she laughs) she was busy grilling hamburgers, talking passionately about the greatness of Margot Fonteyn, or (most surprisingly) showing me two little chips of rock she had cleaned on walks with a hammer for Grace is also an amateur geologist.

The first day I had a scene to act with her I thought to myself: "This girl is remarkable, but I wonder if she really knows what she is doing?" What she was doing was first class, but I suspected that it was accidental.

After two or three "takes" I realised, with astonishment, that she achieved exactly the same

delicate touches each time we played the scene. She not only knew what she was doing, but precisely what she was going to do next.

Then I understood the envy some Hollywood stars have of her—the girl is an artist, and recognisably one in a city brimful of talent.

Like many Americans, Grace is a splendid practical joker and goes to enormous trouble (and expense) in planning her hoaxes. As the victim of one of these highly elaborate schemes she dreamt up. I found myself, having escaped from the film for a few days holiday in New Orleans, consulting detectives and press about a series of mysterious telegrams that were bombarding me from apparently all over the United States.

They were all inviting me to meet an unknown person called Alice. But Alice never turned up. Too long a story to go into detail, but as a result of the telegrams I ended visiting a police identification line-up and the local morgue.

Finally the detectives traced the mystery back to Grace—who was doubtless sitting on the floor of her New York apartment crying herself silly laughing. But I wonder if she knows to this day who mailed a colour- ed man to slip a tomahawk into her bed?

It was during the Bennett era that Henry Ford bought the Dearborn Independent and began his violent attacks on Jews. It was during the Bennett period that the armed police became known as goons and beat up the workers. It was during the Bennett period that sales dropped and dropped and people began to whisper: "Ford is finished."

It was during the Bennett period that the fabulous Ford appeared in danger of extinction. Henry Ford the First, particularly in his later years, seemed unable to do anything about Bennett and the ruin that was setting in. It was his grandson, Henry Ford the Second, who had to act. But that's another part of this great story.

TOMORROW: Chill Wind over Rouge River; Ford Loses Ground

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

A Gift That Costs Nothing

By OSWALD JACOBY

"YOU'RE very nice fellows," remarked a generous George, "and it's Christmas Eve. Therefore I'll give you a trick that you don't really deserve."

The hand was played more than a year ago, but the defenders still remember the hand. George's generosity cost him nothing, as usual.

South won the first trick with the ace of spades, carefully carding a diamond from the dummy. He then cashed the ace and king of clubs, entering dummy with a spade ruff in order to discard a diamond on the queen of clubs. It was at this point that George made his little speech, since he saw that it was vital to give the opponents a trick they didn't expect.

George led the last club from the dummy, discarding the remaining diamond from his hand. This wasn't actually a gift. The

NORTH (D) 24	
None	
KQ64	
Q8742	
Q732	
WEST	
KQJ107	
QJ	
K96	
AJ105	
EAST	
Q8542	
QJ	
A105	
Q84	
SOUTH	
A63	
1098732	
QJ	
AK	
Both sides vul	
North	East
Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass
Opening lead—AK	

opponents got a club, to be sure, but this merely in exchange for a diamond that they would have won otherwise.

The defenders were now helpless. East could get his ace of hearts, but South was sure to make the rest of the tricks.

George would have lost his contract if he had failed to lead the last club from dummy in order to discard his last diamond. For example, suppose that he leads the king of hearts from dummy instead of leading the last club. East wins with the ace of hearts and can lead a low diamond to West's king. West now leads the last club, since it isn't hard to see what's going on, and East is bound to win the setting trick with the jack of hearts.

If West had opened a diamond, of course, the contract would have been defeated very easily.

♥♦CARD Sense♦♥

Q—The bidding has been: South West North East
1 Diamond Pass 1 Heart Pass

You, South, hold:
AKJ3♥12 QAK106♠AQJ4

What do you do?
A—Did two no-trump. This red tends to show a hand that was too good for an opening bid of one no-trump but a good 18-point hand is ample for this strong rebid.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
AKQ3♥J2 QAK106♠AQJ4

What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

Grand Hotel, Cortina d'Ampezzo.

A WIFE in Colorado has obtained a divorce because her husband made her live in a cave full of snakes.

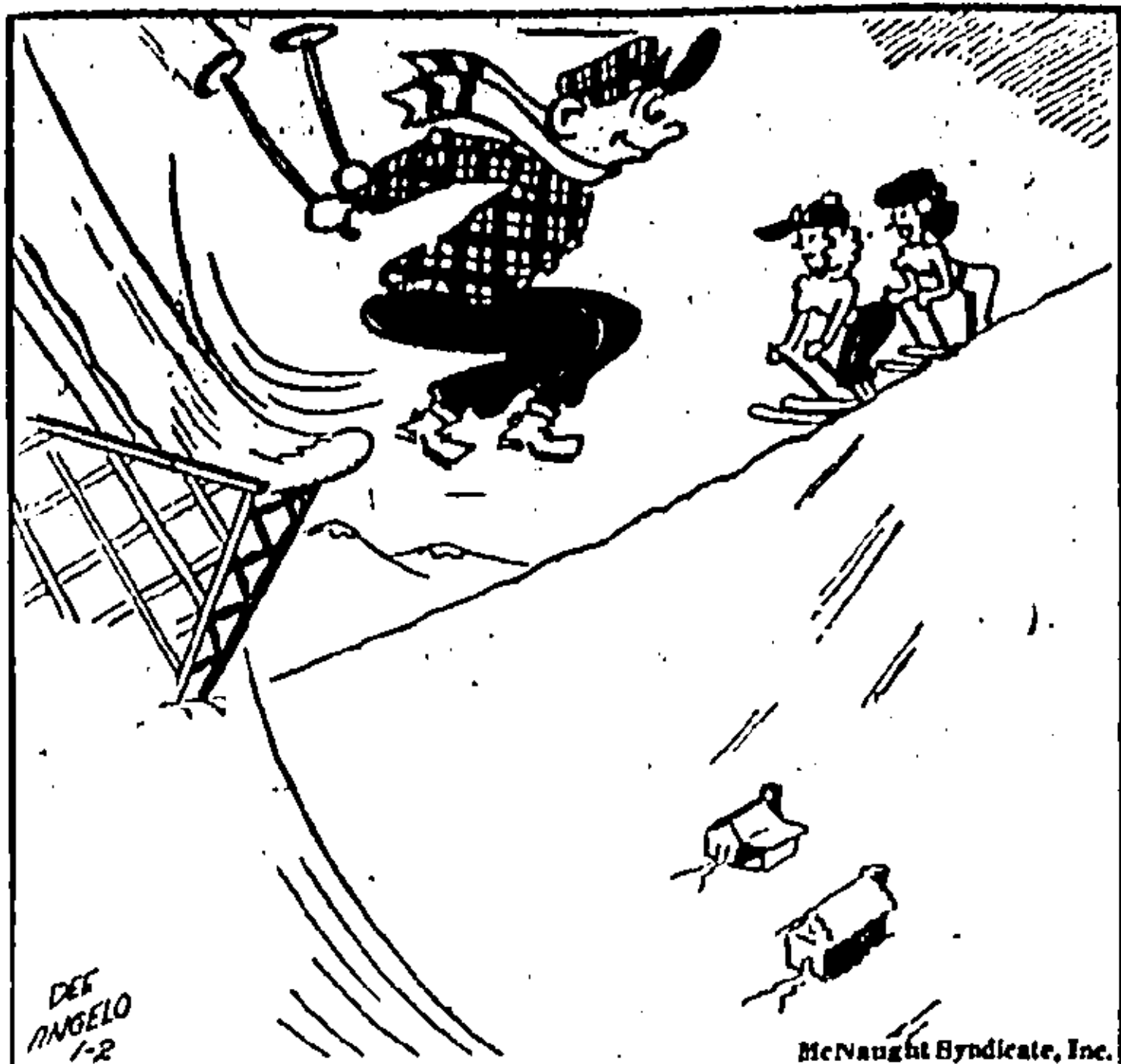
I expect that her mother, on a visit, as she crouched on the earth floor, noticed two or three snakes on a bit of jutting rock, and said: "This can't go on, Melanie." The husband's excuse was that he collected snakes, and they could not accustom themselves to life in a house.

When the wife said, "You must choose between the snakes and me," the man realised that a crisis had been reached.

At cross purposes

A "CONSTANT READER" says that my recent account of the almost inaudible violin at a concert shows "lack of understanding. The violinist may have been too shy to play loudly. I do not agree. A shy violinist attempts to disguise his shyness by a show of deriding, and plays with all his might. The only time Kreisler was ever shy was when he was returning in the summer the only course open to them is to stay on at the airport hoping that he will not change his plans.

This Funny World



This is going to be worth watching—Mr. Show-Off forgot his skills!

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

BORN today, you're endowed with a generous nature—one which will make sacrifices beyond the call of duty for one you love. You have exceptionally keen intuitions which, at times, appear to be almost psychic. You may do something which, to another, will seem impulsive. Yet it will be shown that you did exactly the right thing at the right moment.

Your gift of leadership is significant and, at moments of crisis, it is likely that you will be the one person to remain calm and know what to do.

In your business life or in the pursuit of your official duties, you appear stern, positive and dynamic. You know how to give orders and have them followed. Yet, at home,

you are an entirely different person—loving, sympathetic—rather a "softy" when it comes to giving those you love anything their hearts desire.

You have a tendency to worry over trifles and to brood over minor mistakes. Recognise the fact that to cry is human.

Among those born on this date are: James Russell Lowell, poet; George Washington, U.S. President; Frederic Chopin, composer; Margaret Sanger, reformer; Rembrandt, Peale, artist; Robert Young, actor; Elmer Barnes, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Morning hours are poor, so avoid engagements to guard against possible accident.

ARIES (Mar. 22-April 20)—If interested in real estate, you may find that you can turn over a good business deal today.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be sure that you deal only with reliable individuals. Evening hours are excellent for business matters.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Being too visionary today can be a mistake. You may have to be practical to get good results.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Love this morning and avoid trouble. Afternoon improves and evening is fine—even for romance.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—If at all possible, postpone any definitive action until this afternoon. Your judgment will be better.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—The day improves with age. The afternoon is better than the morning and evening best of all for decisions.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Stick to business all day so that when evening comes you can accept a social invitation with a clear conscience.

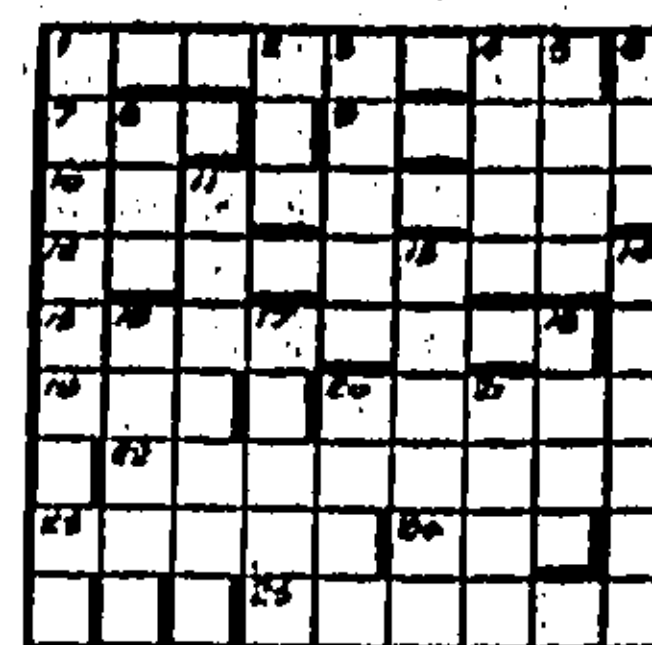
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—For you, a good day to make advances in your career. There can still be room for romance, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—This afternoon can be your time for decision. Think over everything over very carefully before you act.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—One of the most important days in your whole life, perhaps! Set your eyes on your future goals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—The morning is unreliable, so step cautiously. You may be tempted to be too adventuresome.

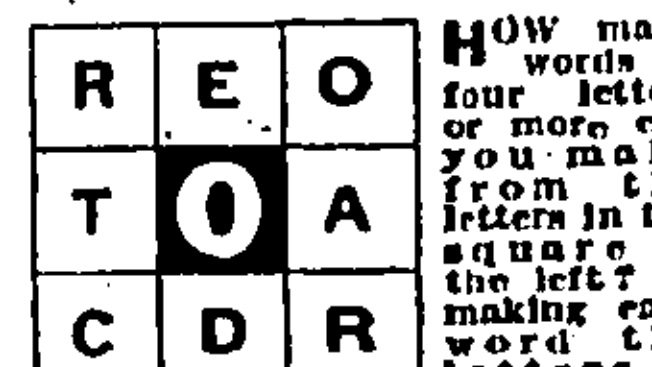
CROSSWORD



Across
1. Reward for a good horse. (4, 4)
7. It should not show after a hard course of 1 Across. (10)
9. Garter of a horse. (10)
10. They carry you along after the woods. (4, 5)
12. Person of the somewhat mixed from Spain. (9)
15. Slashed off the needles? (8)
16. Beauty? Finally here! (3)
20. The boss at the free end of the swimmer. (5)
22. Watchful. (5)
23. Hard for bad luck. (5)
24. It makes this kind of remark. (3)
25. Colourful in the extreme, these baseball men. (3, 3)

Down
1. This first clay blocks with enthusiasm may be! (6, 4)
2. Abroad. (3)
3. Billings? Parrot fashion. (5)
4. Be quiet with up. (4)
5. He served the gods. (4)
6. Silly animal. (3)
8. Add land for the Emerald Isle. (4)
11. These of species are lost in the sea. (4)
13. The beginner in a young chap. (3)
14. The lucky payer of this doesn't always feel privileged. (9)
15. I feel that. (4)
17. Hold that. (4)
18. Fear for the landlady. (4)
20. P. I. a. d. (4)
21. Sleepytime selections by. (4)
22. Tipsters. (4)

TARGET



HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? You may use each letter as many times as it appears in the square. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names.

FAIR PLAY: 1. word, 2. word, 3. word, 4. word, 5. word, 6. word, 7. word, 8. word, 9. word, 10. word, 11. word, 12. word, 13. word, 14. word, 15. word, 16. word, 17. word, 18. word, 19. word, 20. word, 21. word, 22. word, 23. word, 24. word, 25. word, 26. word, 27. word, 28. word, 29. word, 30. word, 31. word, 32. word, 33. word, 34. word, 35. word, 36. word, 37. word, 38. word, 39. word, 40. word, 41. word, 42. word, 43. word, 44. word, 45. word, 46. word, 47. word, 48. word, 49. word, 50. word, 51. word, 52. word, 53. word, 54. word, 55. word, 56. word, 57. word, 58. word, 59. word, 60. word, 61. word, 62. word, 63. word, 64. word, 65. word, 66. word, 67. word, 68. word, 69. word, 70. word, 71. word, 72. word, 73. word, 74. word, 75. word, 76. word, 77. word, 78. word, 79. word, 80. word, 81. word, 82. word, 83. word, 84. word, 85. word, 86. word, 87. word, 88. word, 89. word, 90. word, 91. word, 92. word, 93. word, 94. word, 95. word, 96. word, 97. word, 98. word, 99. word, 100. word.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Across: 1. beer, 2. beer, 3. beer, 4. beer, 5. beer, 6. beer, 7. beer, 8. beer, 9. beer, 10. beer, 11. beer, 12. beer, 13. beer, 14. beer, 15. beer, 16. beer, 17. beer, 18. beer, 19. beer, 20. beer, 21. beer, 22. beer, 23. beer, 24. beer, 25. beer, 26. beer, 27. beer, 28. beer, 29. beer, 30. beer, 31. beer, 32. beer, 33. beer, 34. beer, 35. beer, 36. beer, 37. beer, 38. beer, 39. beer, 40. beer, 41. beer, 42. beer, 43. beer, 44. beer, 45. beer, 46. beer, 47. beer, 48. beer, 49. beer, 50. beer, 51. beer, 52. beer, 53. beer, 54. beer, 55. beer, 56. beer, 57. beer, 58. beer, 59. beer, 60. beer, 61. beer, 62. beer, 63. beer, 64. beer, 65. beer, 66. beer, 67. beer, 68. beer, 69. beer, 70. beer, 71. beer, 72. beer, 73. beer, 74. beer, 75. beer, 76. beer, 77. beer, 78. beer, 79. beer, 80. beer, 81. beer, 82. beer, 83. beer, 84. beer, 85. beer, 86. beer, 87. beer, 88. beer, 89. beer, 90. beer, 91. beer, 92. beer, 93. beer, 94. beer, 95. beer, 96. beer, 97. beer, 98. beer, 99. beer, 100. beer.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Dragon's Mistake

—He Ate His Tail, Thinking It Was A Noodle—

By MAX TRELL

MR PUNCH was feeling in very fine spirits. He made Knarf and Handl, the shadows with the turned-about names, sit down in front of him in the Playroom.

"I don't suppose you ever heard of Jasper?" he said. The two shadows shook their heads. "Jasper? Who's he, Mr Punch?"

"Jasper," said Mr Punch in a solemn voice, "was a dragon."

"A dragon?" said Knarf. "A dragon?" said Handl. Mr Punch nodded twice, once to Knarf and once to Handl.

"How big was he?" Knarf asked.

"Oh, Jasper wasn't very large—as dragons go," answered Mr Punch. "I don't think he was much bigger than two or three elephants."

Knarf and Handl looked absolutely astonished.

"Don't feel frightened," said Mr Punch. "Jasper was very affectionate. He wouldn't harm a fly. He would harm a harmless dragon."

"Where did you find Jasper?" Handl wanted to know. "In the wood?"

Mr Punch said no.

"Under the cellar stairs?" said Knarf. "In the ocean? Under a mountain?"

Mr Punch kept shaking his head.

"I'll tell you where and how I found Jasper. One day, I was dusting off some old books in the attic when suddenly as I flattered through the pages of one of the books, Jasper fell out."

Knarf and Handl both said: "A book-dragon?"

Like An Accordion

But Mr Punch went right on. "Jasper didn't look like much at first because, he was all folded up like an accordion. But by and by he unfolded himself and there he was, as big as a dragon should be, which, if you care to know, is as big as two or three elephants, as I mentioned before."

Jasper reached from the top of the house to the bottom of the house, the bottom of the house to

Inside The Book

Knarf and Handl were eager to know more about Jasper the dragon. "How did he get inside the book?" Handl wanted to know.

"Crept in," said Mr Punch. "I think he fancied himself a sort of bookmark."

At any rate, it was an old book and no one had looked into it for many years. He just found himself up and went to sleep.

"What colour was he?" inquired Knarf.

"He was beautifully coloured," said Mr Punch. "He was all red and yellow with blue spots running down his back. His eyes were bright green and he had a big, curved horn like a clothes hook growing out of the top of his head. I hung a red Japanese lantern on it. It looked very handsome."

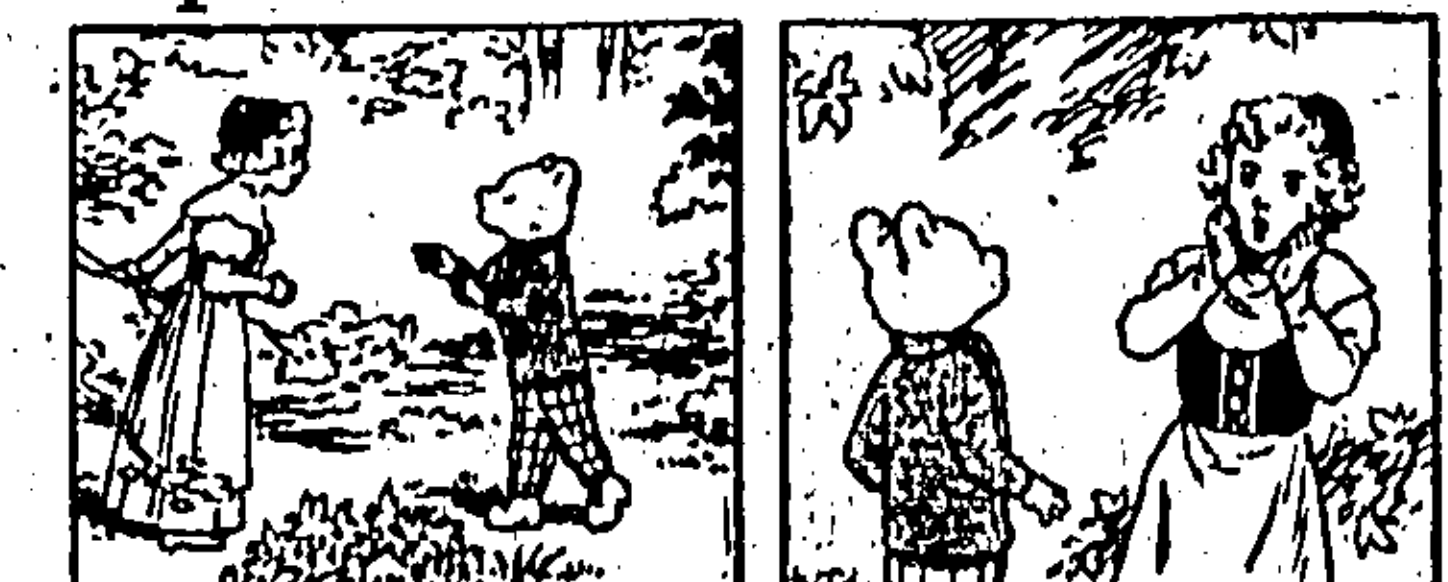
Handl said: "How did he get the name Jasper?"

"I gave it to him," said Mr Punch. "Nobody else seemed to want it so I gave it to him."

"And what did he eat?" said Handl.

"Noodles," said Mr Punch. "He was a noodle-eating dragon. But that got him into a great deal of trouble at the end."

Rupert and the Gold Acorn—13



The child turns in astonishment on seeing the unexpected figure of Rupert. "Oh, how glad I am to have found somebody to talk to!" he exclaims as he runs up to her. "I don't know where I am, but terrible things have been happening. He tells her of the meeting all rights



Jasper was an affectionate dragon.

"One morning, he went out into the garden to look at a cake. From my window I watched him sniffing it and walking round and round it, counting the petals. Then all at once, he spied something long and thin, coloured red and yellow with blue polka dots on it. I heard Jasper saying in a delighted voice: 'Ah, this is a noodle!' And he pounced on it and started swallowing that noodle."

"And wasn't it a noodle?" asked Knarf.

Sadly, Mr Punch shook his head. "It wasn't a noodle at all. It was Jasper's own tail. When I went out into the garden later, the only thing I could find of Jasper was the Japanese lantern stuck on a clothes hook next to a daisy. He had mistaken himself for a noodle and eaten himself up. And whether that was the end of Jasper or the beginning I never really could decide."

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LET'S KEEP FOOTBALL CLEAN SOUTH AMERICAN PLAYERS DO SUCH CRAZY THINGS

By ARTHUR ELLIS (WORLD NO. 1 REFEREE)

The world seemed to be astonished because I abandoned a match at Coventry recently. That shook me. Because to me as a referee it was the only decision that could be made.

Here was the case of a referee ordering a player to leave the field and the player refusing to go. The referee no longer had control over that game, so it had to be abandoned. It was as simple as that.

I shall be making a full report to the Football Association—until that is considered, there can be no comment on the incident.

But it raises a vital point. Sportsmanship in Soccer, in Britain, Europe, South America, wherever the game is played, can be improved and must be improved. And we cannot afford to be smug about our own standards.

The British taught the world how to play football. Despite a few recent setbacks on the field of play, England remains the most important football Power in the world. And it is our responsibility to teach the world the meaning of goal sportsmanship.

Our own house could be put in better order. If footballers children behaved the way some footballers do, they would have more problems very often. Many of our troubles come in matches against foreign teams. But foreign players cannot expect special treatment. The 17 laws of football are international and must be applied as they are written down in the book.

Of course, interpretations differ. In the recent World Cup match at Wrexham, Austria, the Austrian goalkeeper caused some trouble. That is something our international legislators might well discuss.

Yet players respect strong, fair refereeing, although they may not always agree with the decisions.

GOOD FRIENDS

For instance, the first time I ever refereed Jimmy Scouler, a strong player, was when Portsmouth played in Brazil in 1951. I sent Scouler off the field because I had to. Now we are the best of friends.

I sent Boszik, the Hungarian right-half, off the field in the World Cup match in Switzerland in 1954, against Brazil, the match that has become known as the "Battle of Bern".

I have met him since, in Budapest, and he gave me the warmest of welcomes. I asked him, "Well, did they suspend you?" "Suspend me?" he laughed. "How could they suspend Boszik, a member of Parliament?"

That is where we are more fortunate than other countries. Our Football Association is firm and just with offenders. Foreign countries can still make great strides along this road.

Thailand To Meet Philippine Boxing Champion
Manila, Feb. 22. The Philippine Lightweight Boxing Champion, Leo Alonzo, will stake his title tonight against Thailand's Omsan Leemapha in a 12-rounder scheduled at the Rizal Coliseum.

In another 12-rounder Emil Bill Thine will defend the PI Featherweight Championship against S. S. Sonklat, also of Thailand. —France-Press.



thing which threatens this great game. I call it PETTY FOOTBALL. (London Express Service). (COPYRIGHT)

FLAM & FONTANA

Exhibition Tennis Today At Chater Road

Hongkong tennis enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing Herbie Flam and Don Fontana, top ranking players in the US and Canada respectively, in action against local exponents at the H.K. Cricket Club today.

Flam and Fontana who are on a Far Eastern tennis tour arrived by air from Manila yesterday.

The following is the revised programme for to-day:
3.30 p.m. Don Fontana v Edwin Tsai.
4.30 p.m. Herbie Flam v Ip Koon-hung.
5.30 p.m. Herbie Flam and Don Fontana v Ip Koon-hung and Edwin Tsai.

Should the ground be unfit for play today due to bad weather, the same programme will be played off at the same time tomorrow.

Flam and Fontana who recently participated in the Philippines National Open Tennis Championships in Manila, will be remaining in Hongkong for about a week or 10 days before leaving for home.

Fontana had been in India from December until mid-February taking part in tennis tournaments over the country. He then toured Australia and met Fontana in the Philippines.

COLONY GAMES OFF

In view of today's tennis exhibition, all the Colony's tennis championship fixtures scheduled to be played at Chater Road this afternoon have been postponed until Friday.

Yesterday's games were put over until tomorrow owing to the inclement weather. It is requested that players taking part in the local tournament be available to start not later than 5.15 p.m.

Sword Club Beat H.K. Police In Fencing Tourney

The Sword Club last night beat the Hongkong Police 18-11 in their fencing match held at the Central Gymnasium.

Grosche-Hodge proved a surprise obstacle to the Police by being left-handed and winning all but two of his fights.

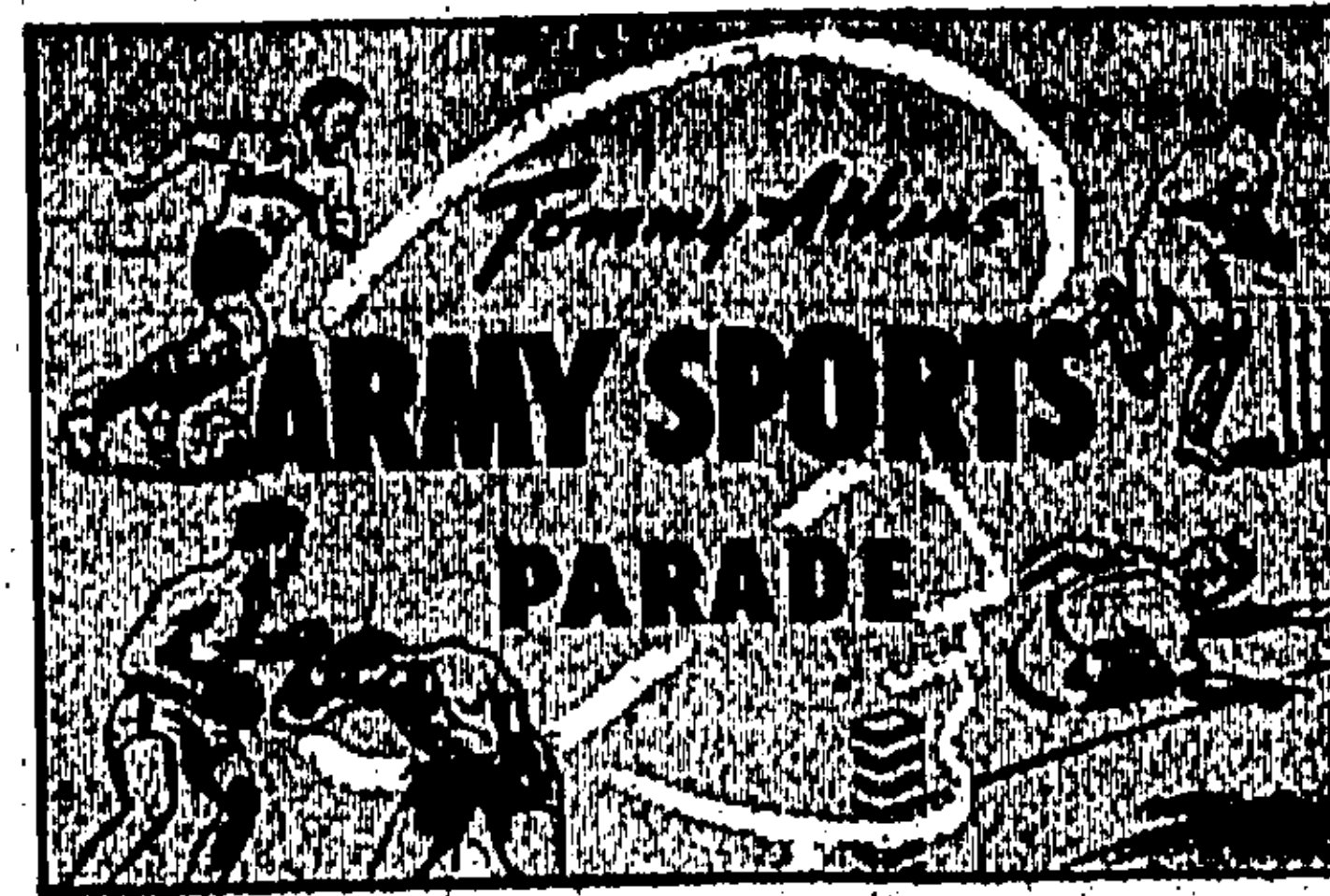
The Police, fielding a poor team, did fairly well against the Sword Club.

The following were the results:
Foil: Sword Club—Grosche-Hodge won 3; Fiat won 1, lost 2; Orono won 2, lost 1.
Epee: Sword Club—Grosche-Hodge won 2, lost 1; Marcell won 1, lost 2; Fiat won 2, lost 1.
Sabre: Sword Club—Grosche-Hodge won 2, lost 1; Marcell won 2, lost 1; Orono won 1, lost 2.
Foil: Hongkong Police—Carroll lost 3; Yeung won 1, lost 2; Williams won 2, lost 1.
Epee: Hongkong Police—Carroll lost 3; Yeung won 1, lost 2; Williams won 2, lost 1.
Sabre: Hongkong Police—Carroll won 1, lost 2; Chio Tsung won 1, lost 2.

Len Hutton Rejoins Cricket Club As Amateur

London, Feb. 21. Len Hutton, the former England captain, who recently announced his retirement, has rejoined the first cricket club he ever played for—Fussey, St. Lawrence—and will play for them next summer when his business commitments permit. He has been registered as an amateur with the Bradford League.

Hutton was playing for St. Lawrence when he was first "spotted" by Yorkshire, and called to the nets at Headingley when only 14. —France-Press.



This week the Spot of Honour at the Top of the Sports Parade is used to pay tribute to the accomplished and successful sportsmen of the 1st Bn North Staffordshire Regiment.

Already this season they have built up an enviable reputation for good sportsmanship and all-round skill. The Land Forces Hockey Championship trophy has now been joined by the FARELF trophy on the regimental sideboard. Not to be outdone the footballers have collected the Major Units League title and may add other soccer achievements before the season is over.

The boxing team is now high and dry in the Land Forces Team Boxing Final and after the way they disposed of the 1 Kings Own they must be strong favourites to add this trophy to their list.

The winter season is still a long way from being finished and other honours may yet be won... but even at this stage we are justified in saying... Well done the North Staffs...

CALDECK CUP DRAW

The draw for the second round of the Caldeck Cup has produced four excellent ties and some first class soccer is certain before the semi-finals are known.

The draw is as follows:—1 North Staffs v 7 Hussars; 2 HAA Regt RA; 3 RAMC v 1 Kings Own; 4 Field Engrs. v 11th Infantry Workshops REME.

It is surely significant that the REME team is the only one from the Minor Units Leagues left in the competition and as they have been coupled with the powerful Sappers in this round they may find it beyond them to maintain their interest in the Cup.

Out Queens Hill way, there is a strong feeling of confidence that the North Staffs who have already won the League title can make it a spectacular double by adding this cup to their collection, but there are several healthy soccer obstacles in the way of that accomplishment.

On current form it looks as though North Staffs, Kings Own, 24th.

Field Engineers will get through to the last four but the outcome of the 7 Hussars—27 HAA game is not easy to forecast. The Hussars have assembled a hard hitting side that seems well suited to Cup-tie football and with the steady, less experienced players they will go into their game with plenty of confidence.

The Gunners on the other hand will have the edge in tactics and general experience and with players like Chalmers, Johnson, Martin and Burbridge to give a touch of class to their play they may well feel that they are ready for the best that the opposition can offer.

All the games have to be played off by February 29.

BLACK WEEK-END

It was a black week-end for Army cricket and with Army North and South both going down to defeat there was little cause for satisfaction when soldier cricketers gathered round to talk things over on Saturday evening.

The KCC victory over North was as complete as it was unexpected and has seriously set back any hopes the soldiers may have had of collecting the Championship at the end of the season.

While North were being thrashed soundly at Cox's Path, their South colleagues were struggling most of the time against Optimists at Sookunpoo and went down to a three wicket defeat.

As the result of the week-end games the Royal Air Force have now gone to the top of the League and will not be easily dislodged.

The Army's hopes of one of their two teams finishing as Champions have been badly upset but the season is far from being over and the pendulum may swing again. However there is now no margin of advantage or error left. Every game is vital and every point priceless.

GRAND MANNER
If you are interested in the art of presenting a top class show then I would suggest that you make a special rod link entry in your diary for the March 2.

On that evening the final of the Land Forces Team Boxing Championship will be staged at the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre in Kowloon... and it will be staged in a grand manner that has not been seen in the Colony in a long time.

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RALPH COOPER'S SHOWDOWN...

Spotlights The Star Hollywood Called A Coward

Once he was one of Hollywood's brightest. He starred with Greta Garbo. He was the famous "Dr Kildare." He married Ginger Rogers.

Then his star fell, and millions called this Hollywood hero "coward" when he declared himself a conscientious objector during the last war.

Today the name of Lew Ayres is winning a new public and a new respect from millions who, not so long ago, scorned him.

Curiously enough Hollywood always labelled Lew Ayres "the comeback man"—the man whose career looked so bright back in 1931 when he played the lead in the famous anti-war film "All Quiet on the Western Front."

But olden years followed his first success. His marriage broke up, and he spent the lonely years in his mountain-top home looking through his telescope at the stars in the sky and brooding over the mysteries of life.

Lew languished in the Hollywood shadows until 1938, when a comedy performance with Katharine Hepburn brought him into the limelight once again. With renewed interest, Hollywood put him into the "Dr Kildare" series. It looked as though Lew was at last to achieve the recognition that had eluded him so long.

SECOND WORLD WAR

Then came the second world war. Two of Lew's associates in "All Quiet on the Western Front" joined up. A stamped, shocked Hollywood heard Lew declare: "I am a conscientious objector."—the film city's first.

For a moment there was incredulous silence—then the storm broke round Lew's head. He was scorned, reviled and called a coward. In Canada his films were withdrawn. In America they were boycotted, and Lew went off to a lumber camp at \$8 15s. a week.

After a few months Lew volunteered for non-combatant duties with the Forces, and saw service on the battlefields as a chaplain's assistant.

"I shall never go back to films when this is over," he declared. "I shall enter the Church."

Lew Ayres did neither—and yet, in a way, he did both. For he has just made another remarkable come-back as a director of religious films.

When Lew first announced that he was going to film the religions of the East, he was plenty in Hollywood who scoffed. There aren't many scoffers today. Lew's film, "Altars of the East," is not only now playing to packed audiences—but is sparking off a new interest in religion. In what is too often regarded as "the sinful city."

My Hollywood colleague Michael Ruddy, an old friend of Lew's. He saw his mountain-top home being built, he helped Lew lay out the garden—and it was to Ruddy that Lew confided his hopes in the first muddled months after the war when he was unsettled and restless. Now let Ruddy take up the story—

"I want to do something important," he told me. His eyes were narrowed as if gazing at distant heights and horizons. His mouth often tightened and he frankly said: "No thanks, I don't feel like dining with you and Mary. I'd rather be alone. I've got some things to work out."

He absorbed himself in painting and painted well. Then he told us, his old friends, that he wanted to make a series of documentaries of the world's religions.

"I want to show that the main-spring of the strength of any race of people lies in its spirituality," he went on. "I believe that religion is the greatest motive force in the world. It releases man's infinite energy, and I want to show that there is a unity and universality in religions."

Suddenly fired with zeal, he wrote letters to the leaders of religion in various countries but particularly in the East and Far East. To each he explained he would like to travel in various countries, from Egypt to Japan, and photograph in colour the rites and ceremonials of the great religions. He would

achieve something—and years of study and preparation will have been right; and worthwhile.

Less than three months ago the actor returned.

He had been away nine months. He went into seclusion and began to work on the editing, assembling and scoring of the films he had made.

I went for three consecutive nights to see the "Mysterious India" series—and I was deeply impressed with "Altars of the East."

Lew himself walked on stage at each performance and quietly, with profound sincerity, described what he had done and why.

Many of his friends who had said he was running away from himself when he began the project changed their tone when they attended the packed performances.

Today Lew Ayres seems more relaxed. He has the satisfaction of achievement. He has accomplished what he set out to do and his films make people think.

And a number of film industry cynics are wondering if sex and violence and "the American way of life" are really the only things people will pay to see on the screen—even in CinemaScope, 1956.

Now if I can show that we are all one world and that the great religions are not contradictory or antagonistic in themselves, then I shall have

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Fire Reveals Underground Reds Active In Brazil

By Haig Nicholson

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 21.

Explosions and a fire which recently disturbed the Sunday night peace of the Rio suburb of Nilopolis did more than reveal the existence of a secret school for training Communist agents in subversion by the use of propaganda and arms.

They provided fresh proof that the Communists in Brazil, though banned as a party, are operating actively underground, and gave Secret Service men fresh leads to follow up in their war against political elements working against the interests of the State.

The school for subversion was in a wooden shack behind the house at 900 Soares Neves in Nilopolis, where David Jansen de Oliveira lived with his family.

A former corporal in the military police, De Oliveira who had been arrested in 1940 as one of the organisers of a railway strike, was named as head of the school and as one of the most dangerous Communist agents in the country. He received his orders direct from the Central Committee of the Communist Party and was chief of a network of Communist agents operating in the State of Rio de Janeiro.

He was a suspect and actually under surveillance by a watchman in the neighbourhood when the secrets of the wooden shack were laid bare by the flames.

High Military Circles

De Oliveira is a radio techni-
cian and neighbours thought
that he used the shack for re-
pairing wireless sets. But the
security authorities revealed
that his real use was to give
young men an "apprenticeship"
in the art of Communist sub-
version.

While the shack was still
smouldering, Secret Service
men started their examination
of its contents. They found
much to interest them. Plainly
visible was a small arsenal of
arms—submachine-guns, rifles,
revolvers, hand grenades and
small arms ammunition of
Russian, American, Swiss,
Swedish and German manu-
facture.

The documentary evidence
unearthed was very varied.

There were, for example, confi-
dential military manuals and
textbooks meant for use only in
the highest military circles.
This particular discovery, which
the security authorities said
provided evidence that "the
Communists were preparing to
disrupt public order in Brazil,"
started enquiries into the
possible association of Army
personnel in De Oliveira's
activities.

Manifestos under the name of
Luís Carlos Prestes, who directs
Brazil's underground Commu-
nist movement, estimated to have
a strength of about 600,000
members, and newspaper headed:
"The Association for the De-
fence of the Rights of Man" were also found.

According to newspaper re-
ports, the explosions caused no
casualties apart from two cats
whose bodies were found in a
nearby tree.

Same Story

De Oliveira, who had been
active in efforts to put out the
fire was arrested on the spot,
but in the darkness and con-
fusion he escaped.

His wife, Zeneiro Pereira
Oliveira, an admitted Commu-
nist, his brother-in-law, and
some other persons were arrested.
They denied any knowledge of
the school for subversion and,
in the words of the police,
"each told the same story as
though rehearsed."

The discovery of De Oliveira's
school won headlines for the
Communists who are regularly
in the news here. The party
was banned in 1947. In 1948,
Luís Carlos Prestes, in a bid for
a seat in Congress, had received
about 600,000 votes.

Opinion is sharply divided as
to Communist influence in
Brazil. It is known that work-
ing underground, Communists
are active in big cities such as
Rio and São Paulo, and have
recognised strongholds in the
poor agricultural states of
Pernambuco and Rio Grande do
Norte, in the northeast of Brazil.

Recife, the capital of Pernam-
buco, has a Communist Mayor.

The Communists openly boast-
ed that they voted for Senhor
Juscelino Kubitschek and Senhor
João Goulart in last year's
Presidential elections.

Senhor Kubitschek was elected
President with a majority of
just over 450,000 votes, and
Senhor Goulart had a majority
of slightly less than 200,000 for
the Vice-Presidency.

Stormy Petrel

Both strongly denied that they
had made any agreements with
the Communists.

Carlos Lacerda, stormy petrel
of Brazilian politics, now living
in exile in New York, declared
recently that after their defeat
in Guatemala, "the new Com-
munist approach in Brazil has
proved successful. A new hori-
zon," he added, "is opening in
Latin America for Russia's
streamlined popular-front tac-
tics."—China Mail Special.



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Macao, 6 p.m.

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Thailand, Pakistan, Lebanon, Ger-
many, Great Britain, Noon.
Philippines, 1 p.m.
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Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.
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land, 2 p.m.
Formosa, 6 p.m.
U.S.A. & Canada, 6 p.m.
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East, Africa, Great Britain &
Europe, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.

By Surface
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Macao, 6 p.m.

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Burma, 2 p.m.
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N. Borneo, 4 p.m.
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Aden, Middle East, Italy, (Portu-
guese India Parcels via Karachi), 5
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China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26
By Surface
Macao, 1 p.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 10:30 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Japan, Canada, 2 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

A party of Berlin local
government representatives,
currently visiting Britain
under the auspices of the
British Foreign Office, last
Wednesday dropped in at
London's Westminster County
Hall. They are pictured here.
From left are: Herr Hermann
Wiederhold; Herr Fritz
Giersch; Herr Heinrich
Walter; Dr Walter Klein; Dr
Hans Mathee and Herr Erwin
Kruiger.—Express Photo.

Police Call In Witch-Doctor

Meru, Kenya, Feb. 21.
Two African police constables
here refused to drive a police
lorry after a series of accidents
until it had been "cleansed" by
a witch-doctor.

The witch-doctor demanded
two goats, and took them out
with the lorry under a large
tree. Aligned, he performed a
magic ritual and brought the
lorry back "cleansed".
The bill for the two goats was
sent to the accounts section at
Nairobi police headquarters.
They paid up.—China Mail
Special.

ROMANS FORGOT ABOUT DANTE To Build Monument

Rome, Feb. 21.

Shocked Romans have just discovered that
their Eternal City has no monument to the poet
Dante.

They have found that among
the tens of thousands of statues,
plaques, memorial plaques in the
public gardens, piazzas, streets
corners and palaces of Rome,
there is "not one miserable
stone in memory of Italy's
greatest poet"—as one indignant
citizen put it—except an un-
attractive little square, "Piazza
Dante", in one of the uglier
middle class quarters of the
capital.

The result is that Romans are
wholeheartedly supporting a
campaign to raise a national
monument to Dante Alighieri.

Quickly Faded

Their fathers also supported a
campaign for a fitting Dante
memorial half a century ago—in
1904, when members of Parlia-
ment tabled a motion asking for
a government grant to help to
build it. But interest then
quickly faded and nothing was
done.

The present attempt to whip
up enough public enthusiasm in
the project was started by two
very different Italians—Giovanni
Papini, a distinguished novelist,
who was nearly excommunicated
recently, and a nun of noble
birth, Sister Matilde Agnese, of
an order of Oblates whose con-
vent is in Florence.

Both proposed, Papini in
public, the Sister in private, that
Dante be canonised and a monu-
ment raised to his memory.
Sister Matilde said that she
was praying for the beatification,
the first step to canonisation, of
Dante. Papini concentrated the
greater part of his arguments on
the memorial.

Provided Spark

Vatican circles considered it
unlikely that Dante would be
canonised. Experts of the Vati-
can's Congregation of Rites,
which is in charge of beatifica-
tions and canonisations, stated
succinctly: "Dante was a great
Christian, but he had nothing of
the saint."

The Vatican City newspaper,
Osservatore Romano, comment-
ed: "Art is one thing, sanctity
another. Let us not confuse the
two."

Papini and the nun had, how-
ever, provided the spark to set
alight the interest of Italians.
Italians love display of any kind
and the monuments which
Romans and Italians have built
to themselves or others in the
last 2,500 years are famous.

Statues and memories of
different kinds to Cavour, the
19th century statesman, who
played one of the most impor-
tant parts in the unification of
Italy 64 years ago, Mazzini, one
of the animators of the insur-
rections which led to the
unification of Italy, and of
Garibaldi, the great soldier-
adventurer, are too numerous to
count in modern Italy.

Not Only Rome

Rome, in particular, is
fabulously rich in memorials to
famous and obscure figures of
the past, from the Emperor
Marcus Aurelius, whose bronze
statue stands in the centre of the
square, designed by Michel-
angelo, before the Town Hall,
to now-forgotten politicians of
the Risorgimento.

But Dante, whose "Divine
Comedy" is among the world's
great poetic works—Italians
insist that it is unquestionably
the greatest—has been neglected.
And not only by Rome. Even
his native Florence, which exiled
him in 1302, did not get round
to commemorating him in stone
until 1865, 544 years after his
death.

Now, one must search care-
fully in Italy to find statues of
Dante. Apart from the life-size
statue in Florence, which many
critics consider rather poor,
there is one in Naples and one
at Trento, Northern Italy. Then
there are a few piazzas and
streets in various cities named
after Dante. Finally, there is
his tomb at Ravenna, where he
died in exile.

Compensation

In the past, Rome has
honoured such great literary
figures as Goethe, Victor Hugo,
Shelley, Keats and Stendhal
with statues or commemorative
tablets.

For Dante, the Romans are
planning something more than
an unpretentious local memorial.
They want a grandiose National
Monument which will com-
pensate the poet for six centuries
of neglect.—China Mail Special.

Ceylon-China Trade Hits Snag

Colombo, Feb. 21.

Trade between Ceylon and
China hit a snag today be-
cause of French reluctance
to be the "third party" to a
deal.

Under a bilateral agreement,
China was supposed to buy flour
from France to be shipped to
Ceylon. Delivery of the flour
would offset a growing Chinese
debt to Ceylon under a rubber-
rice trade agreement.

Pressure?

But the French government
was understood to have refused
to issue an export permit for
the shipment of 30,000 tons of
wheat flour to Ceylon.

Ceylonese sources believe that
a big Western power had
brought pressure on France to
withhold the permit.

If China were unable to make
shipments to Ceylon through a
third party, she would be re-
quired to pay in sterling for
Ceylonese products. Otherwise,
Ceylon would have to cut down
on shipments of rubber to
China.—United Press.

SPEEDBOAT RUNS AMOK

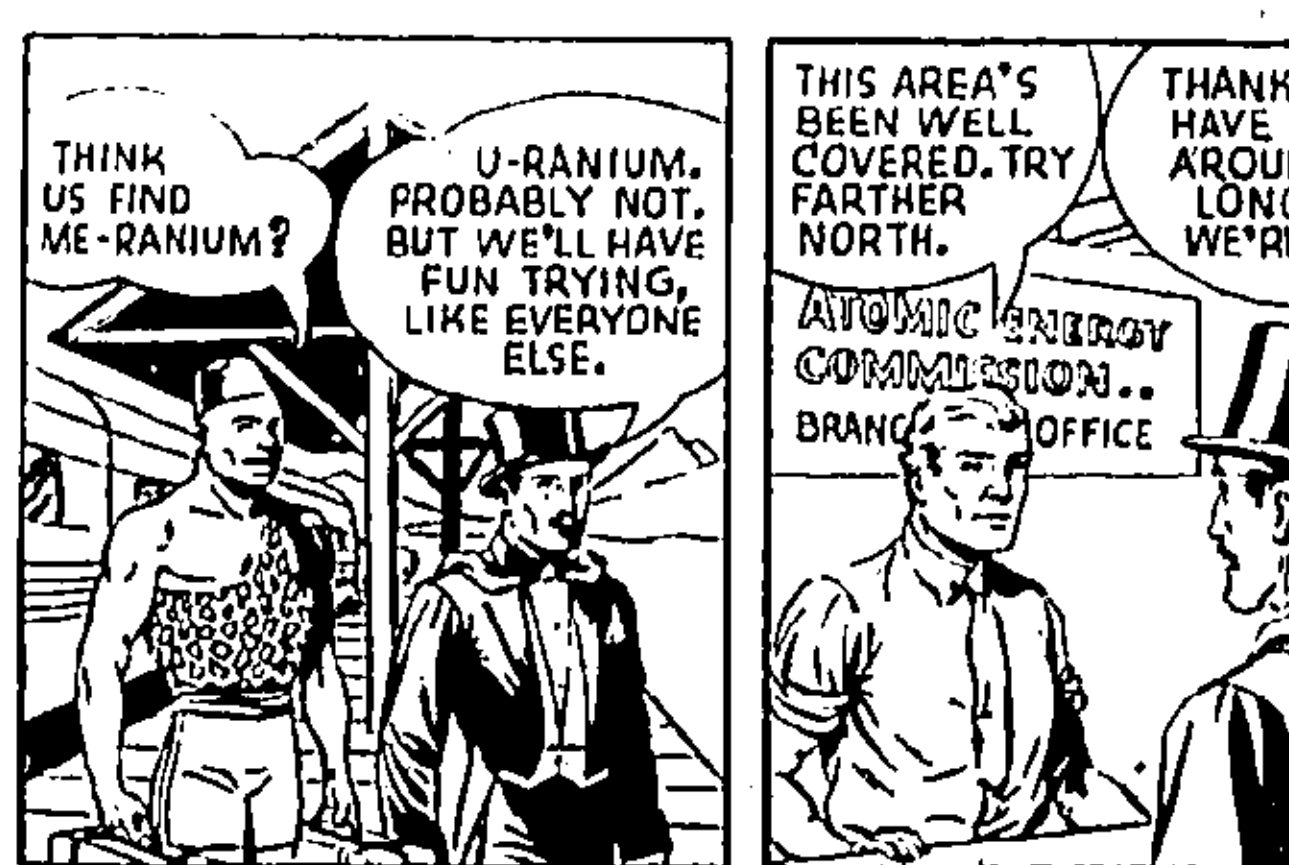
Capetown, Feb. 21.

Five thousand spectators at a
regatta off Sea Point, near
Capetown, saw a speedboat
"run amok" with its steering
gear jammed, after the helms-
man had been thrown into the
sea.

Boats scattered as the run-
away craft entered dangerously,
among other competitors and
completed five laps on its own.
It then headed straight for the
rocks.

One of the competitors gave
chase, and, as the boat raced
side by side at 30 knots, the
passenger jumped on to the
carrying speedboat and brought
it under control.—China Mail
Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



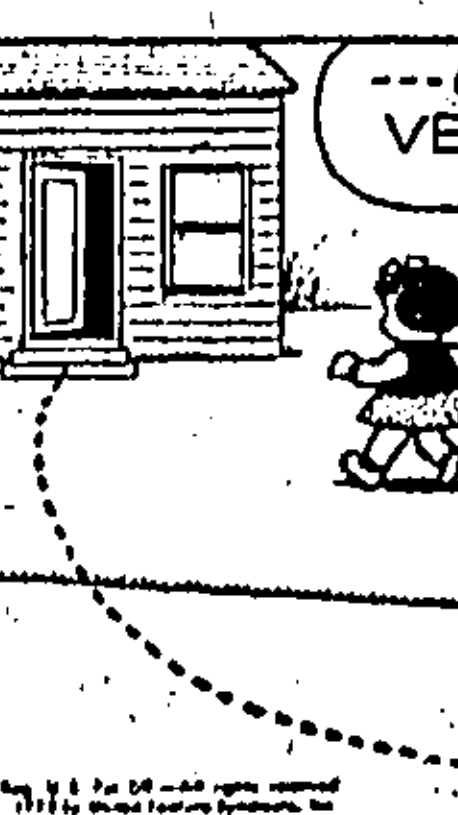
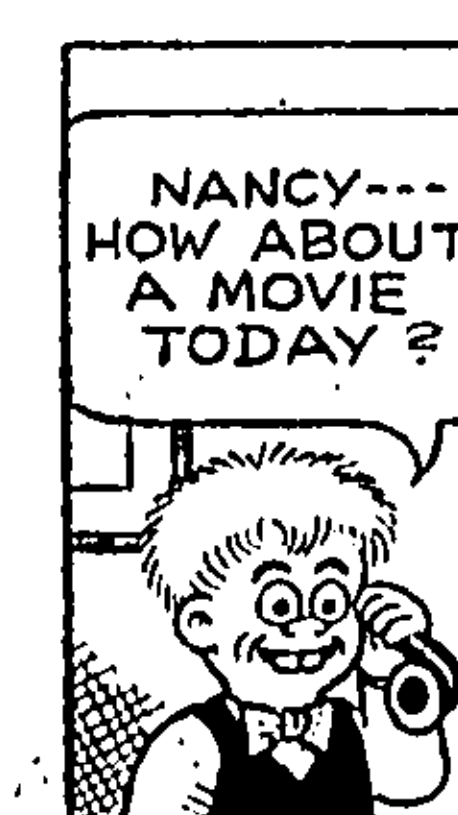
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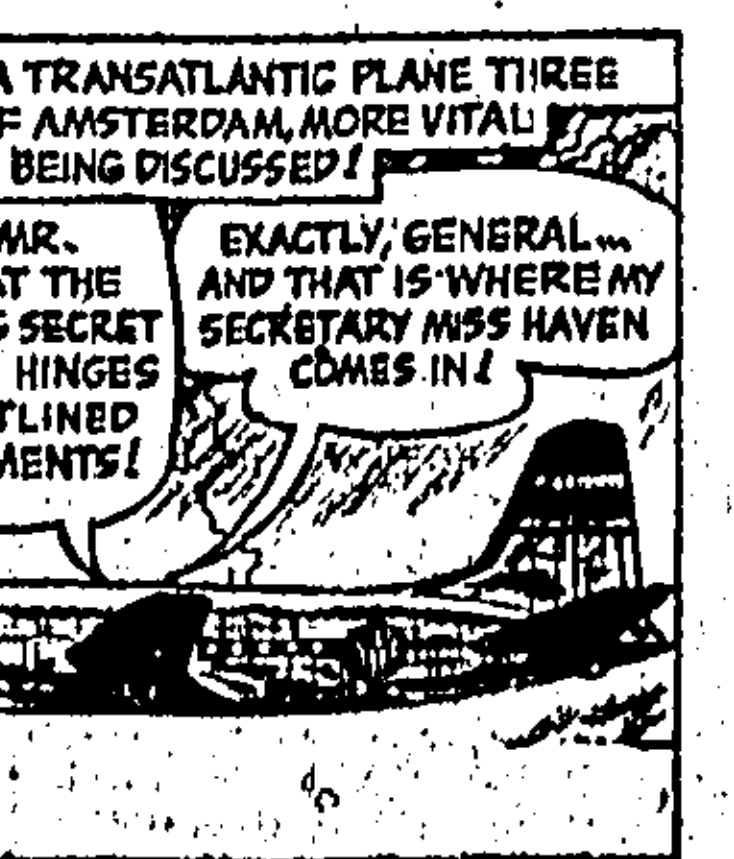
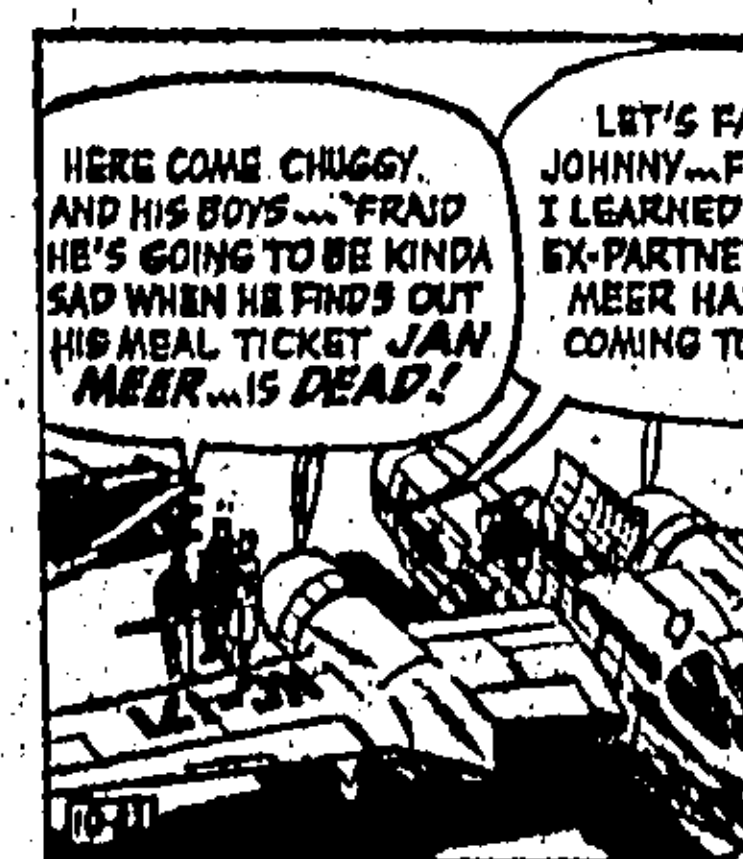
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Out Of Focus

ANTHONY'S father is a Burmese, his mother was born a German, and from his parents, the son, a British subject, seems to have inherited some of the characteristics of both races. The gentle personableness of the East in his manner is tempered with some element tougher and more ruthless.

When, by chance, a traveller's cheque fell into his hands recently, Anthony, who is 21, decided not to inquire too closely into its ownership, but to put it to his own use. Had he inquired, he would have learned that the cheque had been reported stolen from an American, three months earlier.

PROVIDENTIAL

ANTHONY was out of a job when the cheque reached him (and how it did that is a story not yet publicly told). He saw its arrival as providential. For though, since leaving school, he had worked in laboratories, he had a strong feeling that, given the chance, he could earn money also by his hobby—photography.

Given the chance, and given a photographic enlarger, which he had never been able to afford.

Now he had time for photography and, suddenly, the means of buying an enlarger. He marched to the nearest photographic shop, and chose the instrument he wanted. He brought out the cheque, forged a signature, and passed the slip across the counter.

IF YOU WOULD WAIT

"I'm afraid, sir, I can't let you take the enlarger with you," the shop manager said. "This cheque... if you could wait for a day or two, and come back... just a formally."

Anthony left the shop. The manager telephoned the police. Something about his recent customer had made him suspicious. Inquiries were made. Anthony was traced. At Bow Street, he pleaded guilty to attempting to obtain by means of a forged instrument, an enlarger valued at £11.55.

"There is one previous conviction," said a policeman to Sir Laurence Dunne, the chief magistrate. "That was for insulting words and behaviour, last year. This man was on probation."

INTERVIEW

"TELL me about him," said Sir Laurence.

"He has a very unusual background, sir," the officer said, and when he had told of Anthony's parents, went on: "The family came back from the East in 1939, and a few weeks before the war I did a mother took him to see her people in Germany. There, when war broke out, they were interned. They came back to England in 1948, when the boy was 14. He had a very good education, sir..."

"What do you want to say?" Sir Laurence asked Anthony.

"Well, at the time this happened," Anthony answered, "I had about 15 applications for jobs."

TEMPTATION

"AS I'm an enthusiastic amateur photographer, and had always wanted an enlarger, well, when this cheque came into my hands, I can only say I fell into temptation, as anyone else would."

"I'm not very impressed with what you say," said the chief magistrate. "I think the very large majority of people would not have yielded to this temptation. If anyone had offered you this, you would have gone to prison. You've got plenty of ability, and intelligence. Don't fall into this sort of thing again."

Anthony was again put on probation. He marched from the court with the brief step of a man from the West. But what his feelings were, no one could tell, for he hid them behind the pale mask-like features the East had bestowed upon him.

Alleged Forgery

EVIDENCE BY DCI EMPLOYEES

Employees of the Department of Commerce and Industry gave evidence of procedure in relation to the issuing of Imperial Preference Certificate before District Judge, K. R. MacFee this morning.

On trial was cloth manufacturer, Chan Po-cheung, 44, represented by Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr P. Mo and Co.

Chan faces a charge of forgery and five charges of uttering forged documents between December 1954 and February last year.

Crown Counsel, Mr J. Bodilly, is prosecuting.

Office boy, Yan Kwong-chung, said that he sealed samples on the certificates, but had never taken off a seal to put another on any of these certificates. He said that he did not put the seal on one of the certificates exhibited in Court.

A clerk, Ng Kam-cheung, said that he collected a fee of \$5 for each certificate issued and if any certificate were brought back for amendment he would collect another \$5 and the document would be franked a second time.

"TD" CARD

Ng said that he collected the fee from whoever produced a "TD" card bearing the number and name of the registered factory.

Miss Chan Kwai-han said she issued Imperial Preference Certificates which had been approved. She said that she handed these out on the production of a TD card. She knew the accused and a lot of his by sight, and had sometimes handed the accused a certificate for his or her accountancy factory and sometimes his folk.

Wong Wing-see, proprietor of the accounting firm of W. S. Wong, said that his firm prepared applications for these certificates after checking the certificate. Either he or his accountant signed these applications.

Wong said that he initiated alterations on applications, but the document produced to him, although it contained his signature, bore initials which were not his or his accountants.

Cross-examined by Mr Cheung, Wong said that he had known the accused for about a year and a half in connection with the applications for certificates. He had certified over 100 applications for his factory. The case is proceeding.

Musicians Go Back To Work At BBC

London, Feb. 21. The British Musicians Union called off its weeklong strike against the British Broadcasting Corporation tonight.

A settlement was announced after five hours of non-stop talks, and an announcement was made permitting musicians to return to work for BBC immediately.

The strike stemmed from a union demand that BBC pay higher rates to non-TV musicians appearing on its TV programmes.

When the BBC refused, the union ordered members of the 13 BBC staff orchestras to refuse to play on TV. The ban was to have been extended to BBC radio on Feb. 29. BBC retaliated by dismissing 300 of the 725 members of its staff orchestras.—United Press.

Prison For Gross Indecency

Lee Kwok-wah, 26, unemployed, no fixed abode, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for committing an act of gross indecency.

Leung Hung, 19, unemployed, no fixed abode, the second defendant of the case, had his sentence deferred for a week due to his youth.

The offence was committed on February 21, on the staircase of 229 Queen's Road Central.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I'll say there are a lot of girls in this office who don't want to get married—I've asked them!"

Court Dismisses Three Appeals

Two appeals against sentence and one against conviction were dismissed by the Full Court, comprising Mr Justice J. Wicks and Mr Justice J. Reynolds, this morning.

The appellants were Cheung Fuk-yin, alias Cheung Ngau, who was sentenced to four years by Judge K. R. MacFee for robbery with violence; Lau Chung-shing, alias Lau Keong, who was sentenced to three years and eight strokes of the cane by Judge W. T. Charles for stealing a purse from a woman; and Tang Siu-keong, who appealed against a conviction on a charge of assaulting a woman with intent to rob. Heung had two previous convictions and Lau had nine previous convictions for a similar offence.

The Full Court also dismissed an application for leave to appeal against a sentence of five years brought by Wong Keung for permitting a flat to be used for the storage of heroin.

Breach Case Hearing Postponed

The breach of promise case in which Miss Gloria Franklin, through her father, is suing Cpl D. McComish, was interrupted this morning when Mr P. Remedios of M.A. da Silva and Co., applied to Judge Charles in the Kowloon District Court for an adjournment of hearing, provisionally until Friday next.

Mr Remedios said that the late Mr Marcus da Silva was the original solicitor to receive instructions from the plaintiff. Those instructions were rendered invalid owing to Mr da Silva's death.

Mr Remedios said he wished to interview plaintiff either to receive her instructions, or to see Mr da Silva's executors, for a directive to continue the case. The application for the adjournment was granted.

APPEAL IS ADJOURNED

The Full Court this morning adjourned an appeal against sentence of three years for robbery brought by Fung Yung-kau, alias Fung Ling, who claimed to be 17.

In adjourning the appeal, the Full Court made an order for medical examinations as to the appellant's age, and for a report from the Commissioner of Prisons as to the appellant's suitability or otherwise for the Boys' Training Centre.

The Full Court, comprising Mr Justice J. Wicks and Mr Justice J. Reynolds, dismissed another appeal against sentence of seven years for robbery and arms possession brought by a co-appellant, Fung Woon-ho, alias Fal Chai. Fung Woon-ho said he had a 70-year-old mother and a teen-aged daughter to support.

Dealing with the appeal by Fung Yung-kau, Mr Justice Wicks asked Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, if the question of sending the youth to a training college had been considered.

Mr Blair-Kerr replied in the negative. He added that the appellant was an orphan and when he was questioned by the Police he gave his age as 17. The appeal was then adjourned.

Lorry Falls Into Harbour

A commercial lorry, loaded with goods and carrying four passengers, skidded at the end of Saloon Street, at 11 a.m. yesterday and overturned into the sea.

The lorry fell into the water near a sampan, one of the occupants of which, Tam Ping, aged 50 of Boat No. C33, 1080, sustained facial injuries. The injured man was taken to hospital, where he was treated and discharged.

The driver of the lorry and its passengers were unhurt.

High Tributes To Memory Of The Late Marcus Da Silva

High tributes to the memory of the late Mr Marcus Alberto da Silva, the well-known solicitor who died at St Paul's Hospital on Monday, were paid at a special sitting of the Full Court this morning.

Speeches were made by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg, the Hon. the Acting Attorney General, Mr Arthur Hooton, QC, the Leader of the Hongkong Bar Association, the Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, and the President of the Hongkong Law Society, Mr G. S. Ford.

Seated with Mr Justice Gregg in the Full Court were Mr Justice James Wicks and Mr Justice J. Reynolds, Acting Puisne Judges.

Able Advocate

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg said: "Mr Attorney, we are assembled this morning to mark with sorrow the passing of Mr Marcus da Silva who was well-known both within and without our legal sphere."

Mr Marcus da Silva was a vigorous and able advocate whose professional services were much in demand and whose abilities were respected both by Judges and members of the legal profession alike. He was admitted to practise as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court in the year 1930 and rapidly achieved success in his profession.

During the Japanese occupation of Hongkong Mr da Silva was detained for some time by the Japanese and suffered badly at their hands. Eventually, however, he managed to escape to Macao, and after a number of vicissitudes, he returned to Hongkong after the liberation. On the resumption of British Civil Administration, he again started practice as a Solicitor and again achieved outstanding success in his profession.

Mr da Silva fell ill towards the end of last year, but despite his illness carried on with his work until shortly before his death which occurred on Monday last at the early age of 48.

To his mother Mrs C.M.S. Alves and his brother Mr C. R. da Silva and other family relations we extend our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Their Lordships, Mr Justice James Wicks and Mr Justice J. Reynolds associated themselves with the remarks of the President of the Court.

Work for him was not a matter of 40-hour week or even an 80-hour week. It is doubtful if any man has ever worked longer hours, and certainly he never came into Court in any way unprepared either as to his facts or upon the law.

He was a rule rather than an exception for him to work long hours through the night in preparation for his next day's cases.

Allied with that capacity for sheer hard work he had undoubted knowledge of the law in all its aspects. Further, he was tremendously loyal to all his clients and did his best for them through thick and thin however a case was going.

Great Courage

Throughout all his work and life he showed great courage and great tenacity of purpose. He never gave in and even when he knew he was stricken with a mortal illness he still expected to defeat it and return to practice in these Courts.

These Courts will be the poorer for his passing and undoubtedly he will be long remembered as a vivid personality and a strong advocate.

May we therefore associate ourselves with your Lordships' expressions of deepest sympathy to the loved ones of his whom he has left behind in their bereavement at this time.

Penetrating Mind

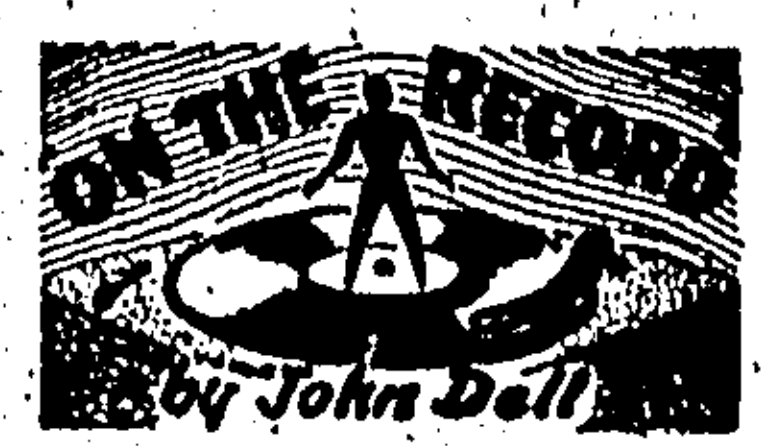
The Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, Leader of the Hongkong Bar Association said: "My Lords, to us at the Bar, Marcus da Silva is perhaps best remembered as a solicitor who would on occasion burst into one's chambers, seething with indignation and roundly denouncing solicitors and counsel on the other side in connection with some matter in which he was identified and fulminating against the adverse judgment of some learned Judge."

That temperament of his, however, did not get the better of his keen discernment and his appreciation of the legal points involved in the case in question. He was a lawyer with a penetrating mind and in the cases which he himself conducted he displayed such other qualities as that of a brilliant cross-examiner and most forceful advocate.

To the public he is perhaps best known for his successes, many of them spectacular. He brought every case a neat for the fight which is seldom paralleled in the legal profession.

Those Present

Among those present were Mr C. P. d'Almada (Supreme Court Registrar), Mr W. C. Low, Mr P. R. Springall (Deputy Registrars), Mr C. M. Leung (Clerk of the Court), Judge W. T. Charles, Judge H. H. B. How, Judge K. R. MacFee, Mr John McNell, QC, Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, Mr D. A. L. Wright, Mr M. Heenan, Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Mr A. J. Clifford, Mr J. T. Morris, Mr Hin-shing Lo, Mr C. M. Lin, Mr H. W. S. Winter, Mr Simon LA, Mr J. Bodilly, Mr D. N. E. Ree, Mr J. E. Durling, Mr Oswald Cheung, Mr T. Shurlock, Mr M. Morley-John, Mr T. K. Lee, Mr P. X. d'Almada, Mr F. Pickering, Mr Y. H. Chan, Mr W. Cheung, Mr H. J. Armstrong, Mr J. C. B. Black, Mr L. J. d'Almada Remedios, Mr H. L. Kwan, Mr A. M. L. Soares, Mr P. L. Lam, Mr K. S. Gill, Mr J. Pakshorn, Mr J. M. Hall, Mr A. L. Arculli, and Mr P. d'Almada.



ON THE RECORD

In a recent issue of the *Asiatic* magazine, Motronoma there was an article which posed a question. Is 'bop' dead?

At the risk of incurring a little wrath I would say "Yes". So too is 'boogie-woogie'. At present, the only record buying public is concerned, mumbo 'dixie' and big band 'commercial material' are tops. There is also a goodly following for the modern stuff of course, and with the recent release of the 'Benny Goodman' like the 'swing era' will be recalled.

However, the fashion has changed and the 'bop' stage has been passed. Just as in most other things the public is fickle and the kind of music in the field never seems to last for long. The occasional revival occurs as it is doing now in the case of 'dixie', but there is no permanence.

Rare Combination

Before attending his usual business this morning, Mr T. Crendon, first Magistrate of Kowloon, paid tribute to the memory of the late Mr Marcus da Silva.

While all who were present in Court were upstanding, Mr Crendon said: "Gentlemen, this Court stands out of respect to the memory of Mr Marcus da Silva who died on Monday evening last."

"It is an understatement to say that by his demise, the solicitors' profession, of which he was a member, has lost a great lawyer and a brilliant advocate."

"He brought to the exercise of his profession in the Courts a razor-sharp intellect and a vast experience that illumined with sparkling clarity even the most abstruse questions of law. Even to a layman who might visit the Court would occur the thought, on hearing Mr da Silva, 'Here is the touch of genius, the master hand.'"

"A learned lawyer and a brilliant advocate, it was a combination rare even among the most experienced, and in his passing the Courts of Hongkong have lost one of their ablest officers."

"To his relatives and to his mother it is our sad duty to tender our sincerest sympathy on his death. May he rest in peace."

FERRY SERENADE

You may have noticed that on the Star Ferry there are now loud-speakers. These have been used to warn against pick-pockets and to ask the milling throng to pass along. I wonder whether it would be a good idea to play suitable music at certain times of day.

The early morning rush and the five o'clock rush may not be the right time, although I am always reminded of The Last Roundup whenever being jostled and shoved around.

During the early evening, however, gentle strains of Strauss or Gershwin would make the waiting more pleasant, surely.

There are a couple of people working for the Ferry Company whose voices sound almost up to radio standard. I know because I have heard them urging people to watch out for pick-pockets. In such dulcet tones they can pick-pockets must have been charmed.

All that would be needed to supply the music is a record player at each pier. A simple set of controls would suffice and then the thousands of people who pass the piers each day would hear music, just as do the passengers at Waterloo Station in London and in many other travel junctions throughout the world.

RECORD REVIEW

The one record for this week is first class in recording with what I consider to be the best pairing of female vocalists in a long time. The record is a Decca 12" called "Pete Kelly's Blues" and contains all the songs from the Jack Webb film of the same name. The singing and those two wonderful vocalists who sang in the film, Peggy Lee and Ella Fitzgerald, and their voices are a delight. It has always amazed me whenever I think how few records Peggy Lee has had in her career and how her voice is infinitely better than most of the 'most popular' pop singers and her material always seems to me to be superior.

As far as I can remember the only hit-parade she has ever had was the list of recent songs, "Mannish". However, on this disc Peggy shows exactly why she is the most appreciated singer amongst the boys in the business and, with old-timer Ella who does a wonderful job indeed.

You don't have to have seen the film to enjoy this record but if you hear it then you will probably want to see the film if it ever comes round again. A first rate record by two first rate singers. Decca DL 8168. One LP. "Pete Kelly's Blues".

Rediffusion

2 p.m. Variety Calls the "Glorious Music" Concert. Wagner's opera, *Götterdämmerung*, Symphony No. 4, in D minor (Beethoven), 3.30. Music by Charles Dickens, 4. Tea for Two, 4.30. Study, Entertainment, 4.45. Victor Borge, 5.30. Diamond Music Show, 6.30. Parade, 7.00. Maurice Chevalier, 8.00. Brylcreme, 8.30. O'Connell, 8.45. Take it from the Top, 9.00. The Champagne Room, 11. Dais with Diamonds, 11.30. Prelude to Midnight, 11.45. God Save the Queen, 12.00. Close Down.

Pedestrian Injured

A commercial lorry knocked down a Chinese male in Chatham Road at 6.30 p.m. yesterday.

The accident occurred at the pedestrian, Lam Man, aged 47 of 40, Kien Chung Street, 2nd floor, tried to cross the roadway heedless of oncoming traffic. He sustained head injuries and was removed to hospital, where he is now detained for treatment.

Bus v. Rickshaw

A motor bus collided with a rickshaw in Des Voeux Road, Central, near the House of Commons, at 11.50 a.m. yesterday.

The rickshaw, pulled by Mr Ma-shing, aged 45, of 99, Second Street, third floor, sustained slight injuries. He was treated in hospital. A passenger in the rickshaw escaped injury.